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ABSTRACT

An atlas of the spectral absorption characteristic of air is presented in the spectral region from 4000 to 250 cm^{-1} . Spectra were observed over a 92 meter path under two conditions: in a near vacuum and at ambient pressure and temperature.

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Introduction

Interest in the absorption characteristics of the atmosphere dates back nearly to the discovery of infrared radiation itself. It was soon found that the principal atmospheric absorber is water vapor. Because the determination of the concentration of this component is variable and difficult to assess, precise computations of atmospheric attenuations have only been undertaken in comparatively recent years.

The accurate determination of atmospheric attenuation has been attacked by three empirical methods. First, using artificial sources, the spectral transmissions of atmospheric paths have been directly measured. These generally have been made over approximately horizontal paths in which the temperature, pressure, and component concentrations are assumed not to vary appreciably. A second empirical technique has been to use the sun as a source. Here, the path through the atmosphere is nearly vertical, and some model atmosphere must be assumed if the resulting attenuation is to be compared to the constituent concentrations. A third empirical approach has been to study, under laboratory conditions, the

absorption produced by the specific constituent gases of the atmosphere.

The data developed from these techniques have permitted reasonable predictions of atmospheric attenuation to be made. However, some uncertainties still exist. The work presented here is intended to provide additional insights into the problem by providing an atlas of the relative spectral absorption characteristics of a homogeneous path of atmosphere. The atlas permits one to observe and compare the constituent features that spectrally attenuate radiation in the atmosphere. By using "normal" air, the absorbing characteristics due to all constituents of the atmosphere except ozone, of course, are properly superimposed. It is hoped that the spectral coverage (approximately 4000 to 250 cm^{-1}) and the spectral resolution (usually better than 1 cm^{-1}) will enable meteorologists, astronomers, and others interested in atmospheric attenuation to improve their ability to predict this characteristic.

Atlas Preparation

The atlas, presented here, covers the spectral region from about 4000 cm^{-1} (2.5μ) to 250 cm^{-1} (40μ). It has been prepared over a 92-meter (300 ft.) homogeneous path under both ambient pressure conditions and at a pressure of a few millimeters of mercury.

Measurements were made using the long path absorption cell described by Lovell and Strong (1). This cell is shown in the drawing (Fig. 1) and is indicated schematically in Fig. 2. Note that the distance between the two large mirrors in Fig. 2 has been foreshortened. A globar source was used, and the radiation was reflected to the spectrometer by four gold-coated mirrors. The signal was synchronously detected and amplified by a Brower Model 131 lock-in amplifier.

The spectra at ambient atmosphere and vacuum conditions were obtained under identical spectrometer settings in a specified spectral region. Experience has indicated that results obtained in this way are generally reproducible to better than 10%, but that larger errors do sometimes occur. The near-vacuum spectra were recorded to indicate the approximate envelope of the radiation source. The air at ambient pressure was at a temperature of approximately 22°C and a relative humidity of about 40%.

Although the spectrometer is flushed with dry air, the absorption due to the approximately one meter path within the spectrometer can overwhelm that in the evacuated cell under some circumstances. This is particularly true of the 15μ band of CO₂ and care must be taken not to attribute these absorptions to the partial pressure within the

cell. It is reemphasized that the vacuum spectra are obtained to provide an irradiance envelope for comparison in addition to providing better spectral resolution where bands are nearly opaque under ambient conditions.

Identification of the lines presented here has been done primarily by comparison of the results presented by various authors. The specific data used are indicated on the tables presented. Where no wavenumber identification was available, it was determined by interpolation and is indicated by the designation x. This interpolation is not more accurate than 0.5 cm^{-1} .

The wavenumbers presented are for vacuum conditions. Reported values have been rounded off to the nearest 0.1 cm^{-1} since, although values are often reported to an order of magnitude greater accuracy, disagreements among the values reported to nearly 1 cm^{-1} sometimes arise.

The spectra were all obtained with a Perkin-Elmer Model 210 grating monochromator. Four separate gratings were used to cover the spectral region. Spectra were recorded in the first order; cut-on interference filters were used to reject higher orders of shorter wavelengths. The grating, slit widths used and the calculated spectral slit widths are given in Table 1.

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 - 3d. H_2O , CO_2 ; $3700-3800 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 612-613.
 - 3e. CO_2 , $2300-2400 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 576-577.
 - 3f. $^{13}\text{CO}_2$, $2250-2700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 578-579.
 - 3g. CO_2 , CO ; $2200-2300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 642-643.
 - 3h. CO , $2040-2240 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 580-581.
 - 3i. H_2O , $1350-1900 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 598-599.
 - 3j. H_2O , $1800-1900 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 650-651.
 - 3k. H_2O , $1700-1800 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 652-653.
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 - 3n. H_2O , $1500-1600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 656-657.
 - 3p. H_2O , $1400-1500 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, pp. 658-659.
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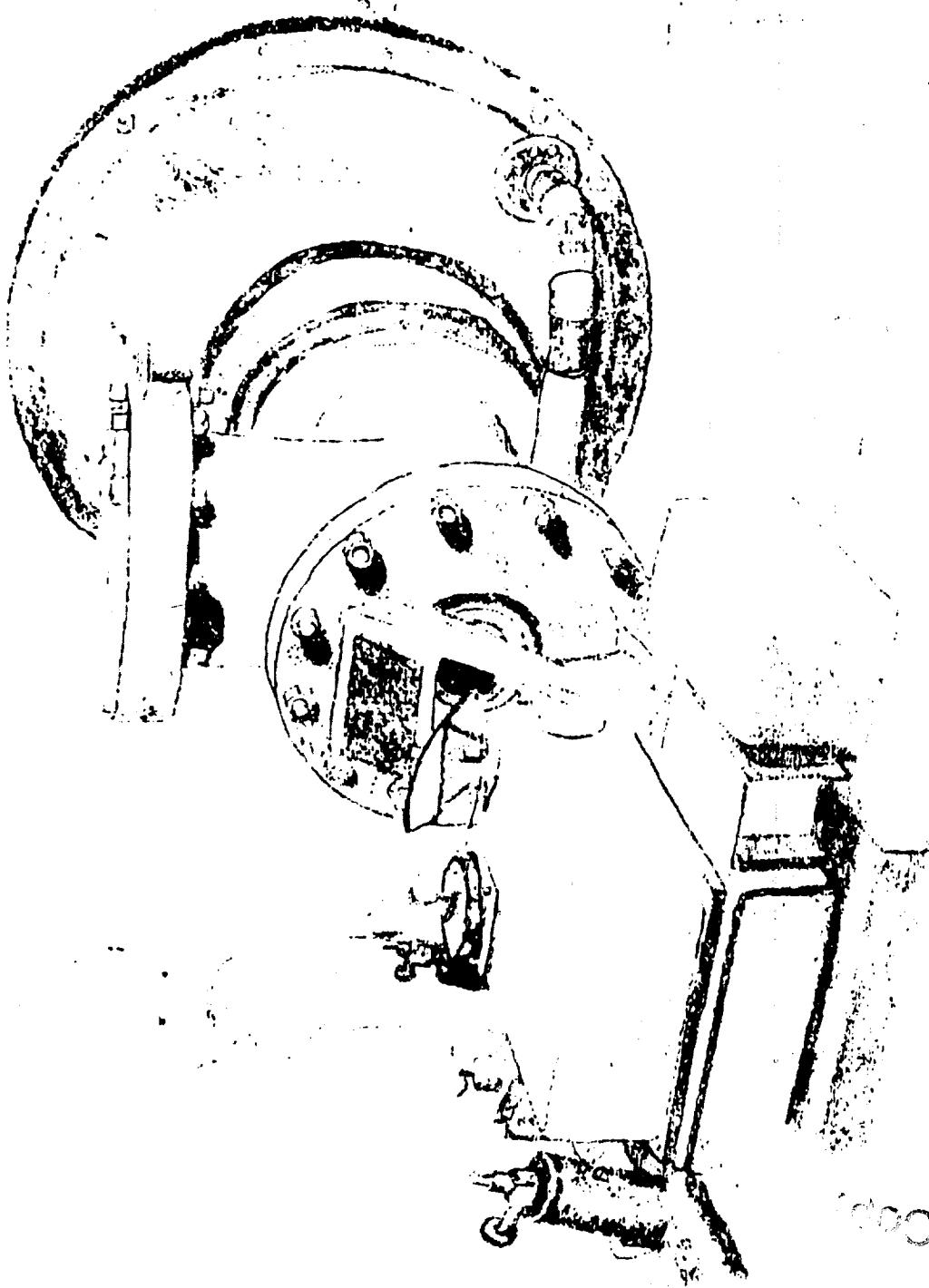


Fig. 1. The experimental set-up used in the preparation of the atlas.

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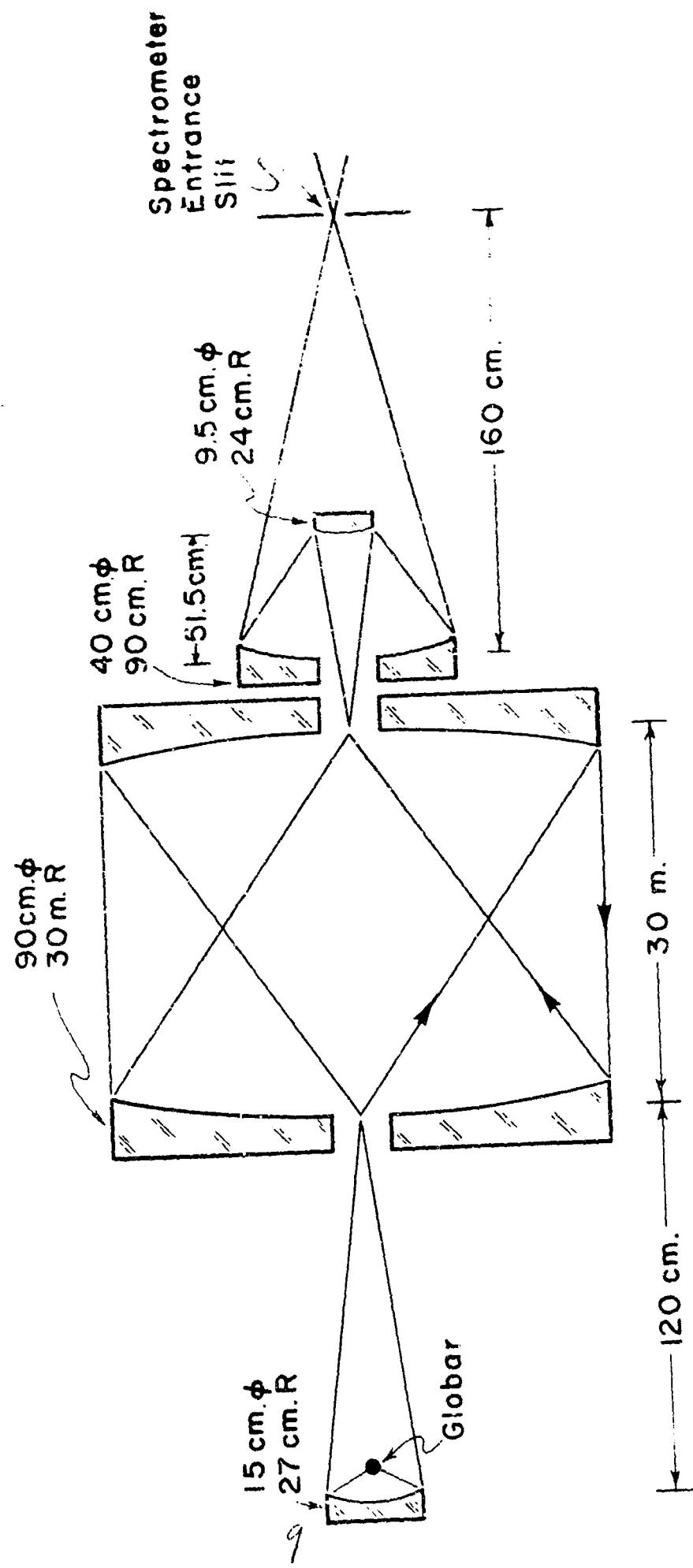


FIG. 2. A schematic drawing of the optical path used.

TABLE 1

Plate	Grating (1/mm)	Spectral Region (cm ⁻¹)		Slit Width (mm)	Spectral Slit Width (cm ⁻¹)
1	240	4100	3700	0.06	1.35
2	240	3700	3300	0.06	1.1
3	240	3300	2900	0.065	0.9
4	240	2900	2550	0.065	0.65
5	240	2550	2200	0.078	0.55
6	240	2200	1800	0.09	0.45
7	240	1800	1550	0.125	0.4
8a	101	1575	1460	0.120	0.95
8b	101	1460	1425	0.100	0.75
9	101	1425	1300	0.100	0.7
10a	101	1300	1175	0.115	0.6
10b	101	1175	1150	0.150	0.7
11a	101	1150	1070	0.150	0.6
11b	101	1070	1025	0.200	0.7
12a	101	1025	925	0.240	0.7
12b	101	925	875	0.275	0.7
13a	101	875	780	0.300	0.6
13b	101	785	730	0.440	0.7
14	101	730	600	0.475	0.55

Plate	Grating (l/mm)	Spectral Region (cm ⁻¹)		Slit Width (mm)	Spectral Slit Width (cm ⁻¹)
15	40	670	600	0.225	0.8
16	40	600	540	0.285	0.8
17a	40	520	490	0.330	0.7
17b	40	500	470	0.425	0.8
18	40	470	400	0.540	0.9
19	30	450	390	0.500	1.0
20a	30	390	350	0.610	0.95
20b	30	360	330	0.850	1.0
21a	30	330	300	1.00	1.1
21b	30	305	290	1.35	1.2
22	30	290	240	1.8	1.8

PLATE 1

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	4085.8	H ₂ O	2
2	4076	H ₂ O	x
3	4071	H ₂ O (?)	x
4	4058.8	H ₂ O	2
5	4050	H ₂ O (?)	x
6	4044	H ₂ O	x
7	4030	H ₂ O	x
8	4024	H ₂ O (?)	x
9	4019	H ₂ O	x
10	4011	H ₂ O (?)	x
11	4008	H ₂ O	x
12	3995	H ₂ O	x
13	3991	H ₂ O	x
14	3986	H ₂ O	2
15	3981.8	H ₂ O	2
16	3980.8	H ₂ O	2
17	3976	H ₂ O	2
18	3975	H ₂ O	2
19	3973	H ₂ O	2
20	3968.5	H ₂ O	2

PLATE 1

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
21	3964	H ₂ O	x
22	3961.7	H ₂ O	2
23	3957	H ₂ O (?)	x
24	3952	H ₂ O (?)	x
25	3950	H ₂ O	3a
26	3947	H ₂ O	x
27	3942.9	H ₂ O	3a
28	3938	H ₂ O	x
29	3932.5	H ₂ O	x
30	3930	H ₂ O	x
31	3925.2	H ₂ O	3a
32	3920.1	H ₂ O	3a
33	3918	H ₂ O	x
34	3904.2	H ₂ O	3b
35	3903.5	H ₂ O	x
36	3899.4	H ₂ O	3a
37	3894.5	H ₂ O	x
38	3891.3	H ₂ O	3b
39	3885.9	H ₂ O	3c
40	3883.3	H ₂ O	3a

PLATE 1

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
41	3879	H ₂ O	x
42	3874	H ₂ O	x
43	3869.5	H ₂ O	x
44	3865.2	H ₂ O	3a
45	3861.5	H ₂ O	x
46	3858	H ₂ O	x
47	3854	H ₂ O	x
48	3852.1	H ₂ O	3a
49	3842.8	H ₂ O	3c
50	3840	H ₂ O	x
51	3837.9	H ₂ O	3c
52	3835.1	H ₂ O	3e
53	3831.7	H ₂ O	3c
54	3826	H ₂ O	x
55	3819.5	H ₂ O	x
56	3816.1	H ₂ O	3a
57	3807	H ₂ O	3a
58	3801.4	H ₂ O	3c
59	3796	H ₂ O	x
60	3790	H ₂ O	x

PLATE 1

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
61	3785	H ₂ O	x
62	3779.4	H ₂ O	3a
63	3769.8	H ₂ O	3d
64	3765.8	H ₂ O	3d
65	3759.8	H ₂ O	3a
66	3756	H ₂ O	x
67	3752.2	H ₂ O	3a
68	3749.3	H ₂ O	3d
69	3744.5	H ₂ O	3d
70	3741	H ₂ O	3d
71	3736	H ₂ O	x
72	3732	H ₂ O	x
73	3737	H ₂ O	x
74	3733	H ₂ O	x
75	3730	H ₂ O	x
76	3714.8	H ₂ O	3a
77	3713	H ₂ O	x
78	3710	H ₂ O	x
79	3701.9	H ₂ O	3a
80	3691	H ₂ O	x
81	3688	H ₂ O	x

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PLATE 2

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	3713	H ₂ O	x
2	3710	H ₂ O	x
3	3701.9	H ₂ O	3a
4	3691	H ₂ O	x
5	3688	H ₂ O	x
6	3680	H ₂ O	x
7	3676	H ₂ O	x
8	3671	H ₂ O	x
9	3659.9	H ₂ O	3a
10	3656.3	H ₂ O	3a
11	3652	H ₂ O	x
12	3651	H ₂ O	x
13	3648	H ₂ O	x
14	3642.5	H ₂ O	x
15	3638.2	H ₂ O	3a
16	3634	H ₂ O	x
17	3629	H ₂ O	x
18	3626	H ₂ O	x
19	3619	H ₂ O	x
20	3617.5	H ₂ O	x

PLATE 2

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
21	3615	H ₂ O	x
22	3613	H ₂ O	x
23	3609	H ₂ O	x
24	3607	H ₂ O	x
25	3601	H ₂ O	x
26	3598	H ₂ O	x
27	3596	H ₂ O	x
28	3593	H ₂ O	x
29	3589	H ₂ O	x
30	3586	H ₂ O	x
31	3581	H ₂ O	x
32	3577	H ₂ O	x
33	3575	H ₂ O	x
34	3572.5	H ₂ O	x
35	3570.5	H ₂ O	3a
36	3568	(?)	x
37	3566	(?)	x
38	3557.0	H ₂ O	4
39	3554.7	CO ₂	4
40	3552.4	H ₂ O	3a

PLATE 2

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
41	3544.6	H ₂ O	4
42	3543.0	H ₂ O	4
43	3540	¹³ CO ₂ (?)	4
44	3536.4	H ₂ O	3a
45	3530.7	H ₂ O	4
46	3518	H ₂ O	4
47	3528.0	H ₂ O	4
48	3518.9	H ₂ O	4
49	3509.5	H ₂ O	3a
50	3504.7/3503.0	H ₂ O	4
51	3496.6	H ₂ O	3a
52	3490.8	H ₂ O	4
53	3488.1	H ₂ O	3a
54	3485	H ₂ O	x
55	3482.3	H ₂ O	3a
56	3474.8	H ₂ O	4
57	3470.5	H ₂ O	4
58	3467.2	H ₂ O	4
59	3462.7/3461.4	H ₂ O	4
60	3458.6/3457.5	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 2

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
61	3455.7	H ₂ O	4
62	3447.2	H ₂ O	3a
63	3442.2	H ₂ O	4
64	3438.1	H ₂ O	4
65	3430.9	H ₂ O	4
66	3420.4	H ₂ O	4
67	3413.0	H ₂ O	4
68	3408.8	H ₂ O	4
69	3406.6	H ₂ O	4
70	3403.6	H ₂ O	4
71	3403.5	H ₂ O	4
72	3402.1	H ₂ O	4
73	3397.2	H ₂ O	4
74	3392.6	H ₂ O	4
75	3385.6/3384.2	H ₂ O	4
76	3380.4	H ₂ O	4
77	3374.7	H ₂ O	4
78	3371.8	H ₂ O	4
79	3367.5	H ₂ O	4
80	3365.7	H ₂ O	4

PLATE 2

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
81	3361.6	H ₂ O	4
82	3360	H ₂ O	x
83	3355.6	H ₂ O	4
84	3351.2	H ₂ O	4
85	3348.4	H ₂ O	4
86	3346.0	H ₂ O	4
87	3342.3	H ₂ O	4
88	3340.1	H ₂ O	4
89	3336.7	H ₂ O	4
90	3334.5	H ₂ O	4
91	3329.5	H ₂ O	4
92	3327.4/3326.4	H ₂ O	4
93	3324.6	H ₂ O	4
94	3323	H ₂ O	4
95	3318.5/3317.3	H ₂ O	4
96	3213.0	H ₂ O	4
97	3211	H ₂ O	x
98	3308.5	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 3

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	3327.4/3326.4	H ₂ O	4
2	3324.6	H ₂ O	4
3	3323.0	H ₂ O	4
4	3318.3/3317.3	H ₂ O	4
5	3313.0	H ₂ O	4
6	3308.5	H ₂ O	4
7	3303.2	H ₂ O	4
8	3297.4	H ₂ O	4
9	3292.6	H ₂ O	4
10	3288.5	H ₂ O	4
11	3282.9	H ₂ O	4
12	3280.0	H ₂ O	4
13	3276.3	H ₂ O	4
14	3273.6	H ₂ O	4
15	3265.0	H ₂ O	4
16	3260.4	H ₂ O	4
17	3257.1	H ₂ O	4
18	3254.0	H ₂ O	4
19	3245.1	H ₂ O	4
20	3240.0	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 3

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
21	3236.6	H ₂ O	4
22	3232.9	H ₂ O	4
23	3230.0	H ₂ O	4
24	3227.5	H ₂ O	4
25	3219.3	H ₂ O	4
26	3214.1	H ₂ O	4
27	3209.8	H ₂ O	4
28	3199.8	H ₂ O	4
29	3197.9	H ₂ O	4
30	3196.2	H ₂ O	4
31	3185.2	H ₂ O	4
32	3178.2	H ₂ O	4
33	3169.7	H ₂ O	4
34	3167.9	H ₂ O	4
35	3151.4	H ₂ O	4
36	3142.8	H ₂ O	4
37	3133.1	H ₂ O	4
38	3126.8	H ₂ O	4
39	3122.3	H ₂ O	4
40	3119.1	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 3

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
41	3115.9	H ₂ O	4
42	3112.1	H ₂ O	4
43	3110.2	H ₂ O	4
44	3107.3	H ₂ O	4
45	3103.1	H ₂ O	4
46	3101.2	H ₂ O	4
47	3099.6	H ₂ O	4
48	3095.8	H ₂ O	4
49	3087.2	H ₂ O	4
50	3081.3	H ₂ O	4
51	3079.6	H ₂ O	4
52	3077.9	H ₂ O	4
53	3067.2	H ₂ O	4
54	3064.3	H ₂ O	4
55	3059.9	H ₂ O	4
56	3056.4	H ₂ O	4
57	3049.0	H ₂ O	4
58	3034.4	H ₂ O	4
59	3031.9/3030.8	H ₂ O	4
60	3025.8	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 3

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
61	3022.4	H ₂ O	4
62	3017.3	CH ₄	4
63	3015.5	H ₂ O	4
64	3010.3	H ₂ O	4
65	3003.7	H ₂ O	4
66	2994.4	H ₂ O	4
67	2991.8	H ₂ O	4
68	2987.5	H ₂ O	4
69	2984.2	H ₂ O	4
70	2980.3	H ₂ O	4
71	2978.0	H ₂ O	4
72	2975.2	H ₂ O	4
73	2973.2	H ₂ O	4
74	2967.9	H ₂ O	4
75	2965	H ₂ O	4
76	2958.3	CH ₄	4
77	2955.7	H ₂ O	4
78	2953	CH ₄ (?)	4
79	2947.9	CH ₄	4
80	2920.8	CH ₄	4

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PLATE 5

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	2371.5	CO ₂	3e
2	2370.3	CO ₂	3e
3	2369.1	CO ₂	3e
4	2367.9	CO ₂	3e
5	2365.7	CO ₂	3e
6	2365.4	CO ₂	3e
7	2364.2	CO ₂	3e
8	2362.8	CO ₂	3e
9	2361.5	CO ₂	3e
10	2360.2	CO ₂	3e
11	2358.8	CO ₂	3e
12	2357.4	CO ₂	3e
13	2355.9	CO ₂	3e
14	2354.5	CO ₂	3e
15	2353.0	CO ₂	3e
16	2351.5	CO ₂	3e
17	2350.0	CO ₂	3e
18	2347.6	CO ₂	3e
19	2346.0	CO ₂	3e
20	2344.4	CO ₂	3e

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PLATE 5

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
21	2342.8	CO ₂	3e
22	2341.1	CO ₂	3e
23	2339.4	CO ₂	3e
24	2337.7	CO ₂	3e
25	2336.0	CO ₂	3e
26	2334.2	CO ₂	3e
27	2332.4	CO ₂	3e
28	2330.6	CO ₂	3e
29	2328.8	CO ₂	3e
30	2326.9	CO ₂	3e
31	2325.0	CO ₂	3e
32	2323.1	CO ₂	3e
33	2321.2	CO ₂	3e
34	2319.2	CO ₂	3e
35	2317.2	CO ₂	3e
36	2315.2	CO ₂	3e
37	2313.2	CO ₂	3e
38	2311.1	CO ₂	3e
39	2309.0	CO ₂	3e
40	2307.0	CO ₂	3e

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Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
41	2304.8	CO ₂	3e
42	2302.7	CO ₂	3e
43	2300.5	CO ₂	3e
44	2294.4	¹³ CO ₂	3f
45	2293.1	¹³ CO ₂	3f
46	2291.6	¹³ CO ₂	3f
47	2290.2	¹³ CO ₂	3f
48	2288.8	¹³ CO ₂	3f
49	2287.3	¹³ CO ₂	3f
50	2285.8	¹³ CO ₂	3f
51	2283.9	¹³ CO ₂	3f
52	2281.9	¹³ CO ₂	3f
53	2280.3	¹³ CO ₂	3f
54	2278.7	¹³ CO ₂	3f
55	2271.1	¹³ CO ₂	3f
56	2275.4	¹³ CO ₂	3f
57	2273.7	¹³ CO ₂	3f
58	2272.0	¹³ CO ₂	3f
59	2270.3	¹³ CO ₂	3f
60	2268.6	¹³ CO ₂	3f

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PLATE 5

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
61	2266.8	¹³ CO ₂	3t
62	2265.0	¹³ CO ₂	3t
63	2263.1	¹³ CO ₂	3t
64	2261.3	¹³ CO ₂	3t
65	2259.4	¹³ CO ₂	3t
66	2257.5	¹³ CO ₂	3t
67	2255.6	¹³ CO ₂	3t
68	2253.7	¹³ CO ₂	3t
69	2251.7	¹³ CO ₂	3t
70	2249.7	¹³ CO ₂	3t
71	2247.7	¹³ CO ₂	3t
72	2245.6	¹³ CO ₂	3g
73	2243.6	¹³ CO ₂	3g
74	2241.4	¹³ CO ₂	3g
75	2239.4	¹³ CO ₂	3g
76	2237.2	¹³ CO ₂	3g
77	2235	¹³ CO ₂	x
78	2203.2	CO	3h
79	2199.9	CO	3h
80	2196.7	CO	3h

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PLATE 5

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
81	2193.4	CO	3h
82	2190.0	CO	3h
83	2186.6	CO	3h
84	2183.2	CO	3h
85	2179.8	CO	3h
86	2176.3	CO	3h
87	2172.8	CO	3h
88	2169.2	CO	3h
89	2165.6	CO	3h
90	2162.0	CO	3h

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1	2193.4	CO	3h
2	2190.0	CO	3h
3	2186.6	CO	3h
4	2183.2	CO	3h
5	2179.8	CO	3h
6	2176.3	CO	3h
7	2172.8	CO	3h
8	2169.2	CO	3h
9	2165.6	CO	3h
10	2162.0	CO	3h

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Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
11	2158.3	CO	3h
12	2154.6	CO	3h
13	2150.9	CO	3h
14	2147.1	CO	3h
15	2139.4	CO	3h
16	2135.6	CO	3h
17	2131.6	CO	3h
18	2127.7	CO	3h
19	2123.7	CO	3h
20	2119.7	CO	3h
21	2115.6	CO	3h
22	2111.6	CO	3h
23	2107.4	CO	3h
24	2103.3	CO	3h
25	2094.9	CO	3h
26	2090.6	CO	3h
27	2086.3	CO	3h
28	2082.0	CO	3h
29	2077.7	CO	3h
30	2073.3	CO	3h

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Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
31	2068.8	CO	3h
32	2064.4	CO/H ₂ O	4
33	2059.9	CO	3h
34	2050.9	CO	3h
35	2046.3	CO	3h
36	2043.9	H ₂ O	4
37	2041.3	H ₂ O	4
38	2037.4	H ₂ O	4
39	2034.0	H ₂ O	4
40	2032.4	CO	3h
41	2026.6	H ₂ O	4
42	2023.0	H ₂ O	4
43	2018.2	H ₂ O	4
44	2016.8	H ₂ O	4
45	2013.4	CO	3h
46	2009.3	H ₂ O	4
47	2007.5	H ₂ O	4
48	2004	?	x
49	1998.9	H ₂ O	4
50	1993.2	H ₂ O	4

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Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
51	1992.2	H ₂ O	4
52	1988.6	H ₂ O	4
53	1976.2	H ₂ O	4
54	1967.4	H ₂ O	4
55	1966.2	H ₂ O	4
56	1960.7	H ₂ O	4
57	1955.0	H ₂ O	4
58	1946.4/1945.4	H ₂ O	4
59	1942.6/1941.8	H ₂ O	4
60	1933.2	H ₂ O	4
61	1923.4/1922.4	H ₂ O	4
62	1917.9	H ₂ O	4
63	1916.3	H ₂ O	4
64	1908.4	H ₂ O	4
65	1904.4	H ₂ O	4
66	1901.8	H ₂ O	4
67	1897.4	H ₂ O	4
68	1895.4	H ₂ O	4
69	1889.5	H ₂ O	4
70	1884.6	H ₂ O	4

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Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
71	1879.3	Σ_2^0	4
72	1876.5	Σ_2^0	4
73	1870.8	Σ_2^0	4
74	1863.5	Σ_2^0	4
75	1865.4	Σ_2^0	4
76	1861.5	Σ_2^0	4
77	1851.5	Σ_2^0	4
78	1856.3	Σ_2^0	4
79	1852.5	Σ_2^0	4
80	1847.7	Σ_2^0	4
81	1842.2	Σ_2^0	4
82	1837.2	Σ_2^0	4
83	1829.9	Σ_2^0	4
84	1825.2	Σ_2^0	31
85	1817.5	Σ_2^0	4
86	1810.6	Σ_2^0	31
87	1807.7	Σ_2^0	4
88	1805.2	Σ_2^0	4
89	1799.6	Σ_2^0	31

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PLATE 7

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	1825.4	H ₂ O	31
2	1817.5	H ₂ O	?
3	1810.6	H ₂ O	31
4	1808.6	H ₂ O	?
5	1805.2	H ₂ O	?
6	1802.4	H ₂ O	?
7	1799.6	H ₂ O	31
8	1796.9	H ₂ O	?
9	1792.6	H ₂ O	31
10	1791.0	H ₂ O	31
11	1785.0	H ₂ O	31
12	1782.0	H ₂ O	?
13	1775.6	H ₂ O	?
14	1772.6	H ₂ O	3k
15	1771.4	H ₂ O	?
16	1768.2	H ₂ O	31
17	1761.9	H ₂ O	3k
18	1756.8	H ₂ O	31
19	1751.4	H ₂ O	3k
20	1748	H ₂ O	x

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PLATE 7

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
21	1746	H ₂ O	x
22	1744	H ₂ O	x
23	1742	H ₂ O	x
24	1739.8	H ₂ O	3k
25	1734.6	H ₂ O	3k
26	1733.4	H ₂ O	3k
27	1731	H ₂ O	x
28	1723.5	H ₂ O	31
29	1718.6	H ₂ O	31
30	1717.4	H ₂ O	31
31	1715.2	H ₂ O	3k
32	1710.2	H ₂ O	31
33	1706.4	H ₂ O	3k
34	1704.5	H ₂ O	3k
35	1700	H ₂ O	x
36	1696	H ₂ O	3k
37	1690.5	H ₂ O	x
38	1688	H ₂ O	x
39	1684.9	H ₂ O	3m
40	1680	H ₂ O	x

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PLATE 7

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
41	1675	H ₂ O	x
42	1672	H ₂ O	x
43	1669.4	H ₂ O	3m
44	1662.8	H ₂ O	3m
45	1655	H ₂ O	x
46	1653.4/1652.4	H ₂ O	3m
47	1648	H ₂ O	x
48	1646.0	H ₂ O	3m
49	1637.6	H ₂ O	3m
50	1635.6	H ₂ O	3m
51	1627.8	H ₂ O	3m
52	1624	H ₂ O	x
53	1616.7	H ₂ O	3n
54	1576.2	H ₂ O	3n
55	1569.8	H ₂ O	3n
56	1564.8	H ₂ O	3n
57	1560.5	H ₂ O	x
58	1558.6	H ₂ O	3n
59	1557.6	H ₂ O	3n
60	1554.4	H ₂ O	3n

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PLATE 7

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
61	1550	H ₂ O	x
62	1545.2	H ₂ O	3n
63	1542	H ₂ O	x
64	1540.3	H ₂ O	3n
65	1539.0	H ₂ O	3n

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1	1576.2	H ₂ O	3n
2	1569.8	H ₂ O	3n
3	1564.8	H ₂ O	3n
4	1560.5	H ₂ O	x
5	1558.6	H ₂ O	3n
6	1557.5	H ₂ O	3n
7	1554.4	H ₂ O	3n
8	1550	H ₂ O	x
9	1545.2	H ₂ O	3n
10	1542	H ₂ O	x
11	1540.3	H ₂ O	3n
12	1539.0	H ₂ O	3n
13	1534	H ₂ O	x
14	1531.7	H ₂ O	?
15	1528.7	H ₂ O	?

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PLATE 8

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
16	1527.4	H ₂ O	7
17	1525.5	H ₂ O	3n
18	1522.7	H ₂ O	7
19	1521.4	H ₂ O	3n
20	1520.4	H ₂ O	7
21	1517.5	H ₂ O	3n
22	1515.0	H ₂ O	3n
23	1512.3	H ₂ O	3n
24	1509.8	H ₂ O	7
25	1508.6	H ₂ O	3n
26	1507.1	H ₂ O	3n
27	1505.6	H ₂ O	3n
28	1507.1	H ₂ O	7
29	1498.8	H ₂ O	3n
30	1496.2	H ₂ O	3n
31	1490.8	H ₂ O	3n
32	1489.8	H ₂ O	3p
33	1487.3	H ₂ O	3p
34	1480.4	H ₂ O	7
35	1476.3	H ₂ O	?

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Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
36	1473.5	H ₂ O	3p
37	1472.0	H ₂ O	3p
38	1464.9	H ₂ O	3p
39	1459.3	H ₂ O	3p
40	1458.2	H ₂ O	3p
41	1456.8	H ₂ O	3p
42	1455.3	H ₂ O	?
43	1452.0	H ₂ O	?
44	1447.9	H ₂ O	3p
45	1436.7	H ₂ O	3p
46	1430.0	H ₂ O	3p

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1	1436.7	H ₂ O	3p
2	1430.0	H ₂ O	3p
3	1423.9	H ₂ O	?
4	1419.3	H ₂ O	3p
5	1417.4	H ₂ O	3p

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PLATE 9

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
6	1416.1	H ₂ O	?
7	1411.8	H ₂ O	4
8	1410.0	H ₂ O	4
9	1408.5	H ₂ O	4
10	1405.0	H ₂ O	3p
11	1399.2	H ₂ O	3p
12	1397.7	H ₂ O	?
13	1395.8	H ₂ O	3p
14	1394.4	H ₂ O	3p
15	1390.6/1391.0	H ₂ O	4
16	1387.5	H ₂ O	3q
17	1384	HDO	4
18	1382.2	H ₂ O	4
19	1380.2/1380	H ₂ O	4
20	1378/1378.4	H ₂ O	4
21	1375.1	H ₂ O	3q
22	1373.7	H ₂ O	3q
23	1368.6	H ₂ O	3q
24	1362.5	H ₂ O	4
25	1361.1	H ₂ O	31

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PLATE 9

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
26	1358.2/1358.7	H ₂ O	4
27	1354.9	H ₂ O	4
28	1352.4	H ₂ O	4
29	1349.4	H ₂ O	4
30	1341.1	H ₂ O	4
31	1339.0	H ₂ O	4
32	1336.6	H ₂ O	31
33	1332.5	H ₂ O	4
34	1329.9	H ₂ O	4
35	1323.4	H ₂ O	4
36	1318.7	H ₂ O	4
37	1316.3	H ₂ O	4
38	1314.9	H ₂ O	4
39	1313.5	H ₂ O	4
40	1312.5	H ₂ O	4
41	1308.3	H ₂ O	4
42	1305.4	H ₂ O	4
43	1296.6	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 10

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	1308.3	H ₂ O	4
2	1305.4	H ₂ O	4
3	1296.6	H ₂ O	4
4	1290.5	H ₂ O	4
5	1288.2	H ₂ O	4
6	1287.4	H ₂ O	4
7	1284.3	H ₂ O	4
8	1280.0	H ₂ O	4
9	1271.9	H ₂ O	4
10	1270.0	H ₂ O	4
11	1268.3	H ₂ O	4
12	1266.1	H ₂ O	4
13	1264.0	H ₂ O	4
14	1260.7	H ₂ O	4
15	1258.6	H ₂ O	4
16	1244.2	H ₂ O	4
17	1225.6/1225.2	H ₂ O	4
18	1218.5	H ₂ O	4
19	1212.4	H ₂ O	4
20	1211.3	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 10

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
21	1198.2	H ₂ O	4
22	1187.1	H ₂ O	4
23	1180.9	H ₂ O	4
24	1174.5	H ₂ O	4
25	1165.5	H ₂ O	4

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1	1165.5	H ₂ O	4
2	1152.4	H ₂ O	4
3	1149.5	H ₂ O	4
4	1137.4	H ₂ O	4
5	1135.8	H ₂ O	4
6	1121.2	H ₂ O	4
7	1111.5	H ₂ O	4
8	1106.7	H ₂ O	4

PLATE 12

1	948.3	H ₂ O	4
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PLATE 13

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	854.6	H ₂ O	4
2	852.5	H ₂ O	4
3	849.6	H ₂ O	4
4	814.6/813.9	H ₂ O	4
5	803.6	H ₂ O	4
6	798.7	H ₂ O	4
7	796.0	H ₂ O	4
8	784.5	H ₂ O	4
9	777.0	H ₂ O	4
10	775.7	H ₂ O	4
11	754.5	H ₂ O	4
12	748.3	CO ₂	4
13	746.8	CO ₂	4
14	745.3	CO ₂	4
15	744.8	H ₂ O	4
16	741.5	CO ₂	4
17	740.8	CO ₂ /H ₂ O	4
18	739.3	CO ₂	5
19	737.8	CO ₂	5
20	736.2	CO ₂	5
21	734.7	CO ₂	5
22	733.0	CO ₂	5

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PLATE 14

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	740.8	H ₂ O/CO ₂	4
2	739.3	CO ₂	5
3	737.8	CO ₂	5
4	736.2	CO ₂	5
5	734.7	CO ₂	5
6	733.0	CO ₂	5
7	731.4	CO ₂	5
8	729.7	CO ₂	5
9	728.0	CO ₂	5
10	727.0	CO ₂	5
11	725.5	CO ₂	5
12	724.0	CO ₂	5
13	720.0	CO ₂	5
14	714.8	CO ₂	5
15	713.2	CO ₂	5
16	712.2	CO ₂	5
17	711.5	CO ₂	5
18	710.6	CO ₂	5
19	709.9	CO ₂	5
20	709.0	CO ₂	4

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Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
21	708.2	CO ₂	5
22	706.6	CO ₂	5
23	705.0	CO ₂	5
24	703.3	CO ₂	5
25	701.7	CO ₂	3r
26	700.1	CO ₂	3r
27	698.4	CO ₂	3r
28	696.8	CO ₂	3r
29	695.2	CO ₂	3r
30	693.6	CO ₂	3r
31	692.0	CO ₂	3r
32	690.4	CO ₂	3r
33	688.8	CO ₂	3r
34	687.2	CO ₂	3r
35	685.6	CO ₂	3r
36	684	CO ₂	3r
37	682.4	CO ₂	3r
38	680.8	CO ₂	3r
39	679.2	CO ₂	3r
40	677.6	CO ₂	3r

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PLATE 14

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
41	676.0	CO ₂	3r
42	674.4	CO ₂	3r
43	672.9	CO ₂	3r
44	667.4	CO ₂	5
45	665.8	CO ₂	3r
46	664.3	CO ₂	3r
47	662.7	CO ₂	3r
48	661.2	CO ₂	3r
49	659.6	CO ₂	3r
50	658.1	CO ₂	3r
51	656.5	CO ₂	3r
52	655.0	CO ₂	3r
53	653.5	CO ₂	3r
54	651.9	CO ₂	3r
55	650.4	CO ₂	3r
56	648.9	CO ₂	3r
57	647.4	CO ₂	3r
58	645.9	CO ₂	3r
59	644.4	CO ₂	3r
60	642.9	CO ₂	3r

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PLATE 14

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
61	641.4	CO ₂	3r
62	639.8	CO ₂	3r
63	638.3	CO ₂	3r
64	636.9	CO ₂	3r
65	635.4	CO ₂	3r
66	633.9	CO ₂	3r
67	632.4	CO ₂	3r
68	630.9	CO ₂	3r
69	629.5	CO ₂	3r
70	625.6	¹³ CO ₂ /H ₂ O	4
71	620.8	¹³ CO ₂ /CO ₂	4
72	617.7	CO ₂	6
73	616.0	H ₂ O	4
74	612.8	CO ₂	4
75	611.0	CO ₂	4
76	609.4	CO ₂	4
77	607.8	CO ₂	4
78	606.3	CO ₂	4
79	604.6	CO ₂	4
80	603.2	CO ₂	4

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PLATE 14

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
81	601.5	CO ₂	4
82	600.1	CO ₂	4
83	595.0	CO ₂ /H ₂ O	4
84	591.9	H ₂ O	4
85	584.7	H ₂ O	4
86	580.9	H ₂ O	4

PLATE 15

1	667.4	CO ₂	5
2	664.3	CO ₂	3r
3	662.7	CO ₂	3r
4	661.2	CO ₂	3r
5	659.6	CO ₂	3r
6	658.1	CO ₂	3r
7	656.5	CO ₂	3r
8	655.0	CO ₂	3r
9	653.5	CO ₂	3r
10	651.9	CO ₂	3r

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PLATE 15

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
11	650.4	CO ₂	3r
12	648.9	CO ₂	3r
13	647.4	CO ₂	3r
14	645.9	CO ₂	3r
15	644.4	CO ₂	3r
16	642.9	CO ₂	3r
17	641.4	CO ₂	3r
18	639.8	CO ₂	3r
19	638.3	CO ₂	3r
20	636.9	CO ₂	3r
21	635.4	CO ₂	3r
22	633.9/632.4	CO ₂	3r
23	630.9	CO ₂	3r
24	629.5	CO ₂	3r
25	626.9	CO ₂	3r
26	625.6	¹³ CO ₂ /H ₂ O	4
27	622.5	¹³ CO ₂ /CO ₂	4
28	620.8	¹³ CO ₂ /CO ₂	4
29	617.7	CO ₂	5
30	616.0	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 15

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
31	612.8	CO ₂	4
32	610.9	CO ₂	4
33	609.4	CO ₂	4
34	607.8	CO ₂	4
35	606.2	CO ₂	4
36	604.6	CO ₂	4
37	603.2	CO ₂	4
38	601.5	CO ₂	4
39	600.1	CO ₂	4

PLATE 16

1	604.6	CO ₂	4
2	600.1	CO ₂	4
3	596.9	CO ₂	4
4	595.1	CO ₂ /H ₂ O	4
5	591.9	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 16

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
6	584.7	H ₂ O	4
7	580.9	H ₂ O	4
8	576.1	H ₂ O	4
9	571.2	H ₂ O	4
10	569.2	H ₂ O	4
11	567.2	H ₂ O	4
12	563.2	H ₂ O	4
13	557.2	H ₂ O	4
14	554.7	H ₂ O	4
15	552.3	H ₂ O	4
16	550.1	H ₂ O	4
17	547.8	H ₂ O	4
18	546.3	H ₂ O	4
19	545.3	H ₂ O	4
20	541.0	H ₂ O	4
21	539.6	H ₂ O	4
22	536.3	H ₂ O	4
23	534.3	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 17

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	536.3	H ₂ O	4
2	534.3	H ₂ O	4
3	526.6	H ₂ O	4
4	519.7	H ₂ O	4
5	517.7/516.9	H ₂ O	4
6	515.1	H ₂ O	4
7	512.0	H ₂ O	4
8	510.5	H ₂ O	4
9	507.0	H ₂ O	4
10	504.4	H ₂ O	4
11	502.2	H ₂ O	4
12	494.2	H ₂ O	4
13	492.0	H ₂ O	4
14	489.5	H ₂ O	4
15	486.1	H ₂ O	4
16	484.0	H ₂ O	4
17	481.0	H ₂ O	4
18	476.4	H ₂ O	4
19	472.5	H ₂ O	4

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PLATE 15

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	472.6	H ₂ O	4
2	469.8/467.9	H ₂ O	4
3	461.5	H ₂ O	4
4	457.7	H ₂ O	4
5	452.8	H ₂ O	4
6	446.9	H ₂ O	4
7	443.7	H ₂ O	4
8	452.0	H ₂ O	4
9	436.4	H ₂ O	4
10	435.8	H ₂ O	4
11	431.2	H ₂ O	4
12	428.8	H ₂ O	4
13	426.3/425.3	H ₂ O	4
14	423.1	H ₂ O	4
15	419	H ₂ O	6
16	415	H ₂ O	6
17	406	H ₂ O	6

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PLATE 19

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	447	H ₂ O	6
2	444	H ₂ O	6
3	442.5	H ₂ O	6
4	437	H ₂ O	6
5	435	H ₂ O	6
6	432	H ₂ O	5
7	429	H ₂ O	6
8	425	H ₂ O	6
9	423	H ₂ O	6
10	419	H ₂ O	6
11	415	H ₂ O	6
12	406	H ₂ O	6
13	400	H ₂ O	x
14	399	H ₂ O	x
15	397	H ₂ O	x
16	393	H ₂ O	x
17	390	H ₂ O	6

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PLATE 20

Line	Wavenumber (cm ⁻¹)	Molecule	Reference
1	390	H ₂ O	6
2	385	H ₂ O	6
3	381	H ₂ O	6
4	378	H ₂ O	6
5	376	H ₂ O	6
6	374	H ₂ O	6
7	370	H ₂ O	6
8	362	H ₂ O	6
9	359	H ₂ O	6
10	358	H ₂ O	6
11	355	H ₂ O	x
12	352.5	H ₂ O	x
13	350	H ₂ O	x
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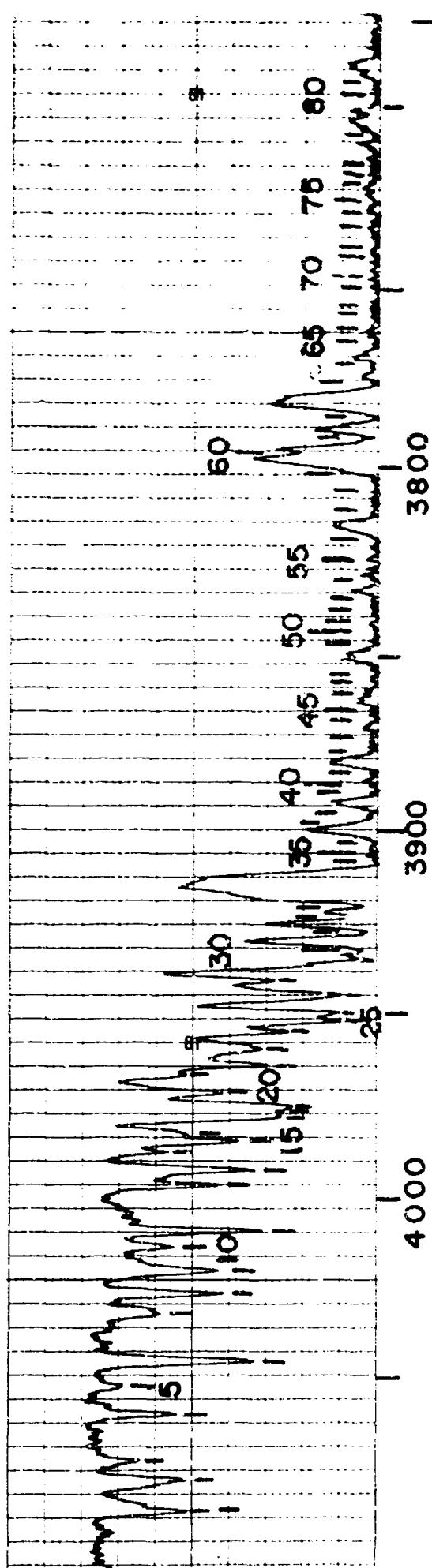
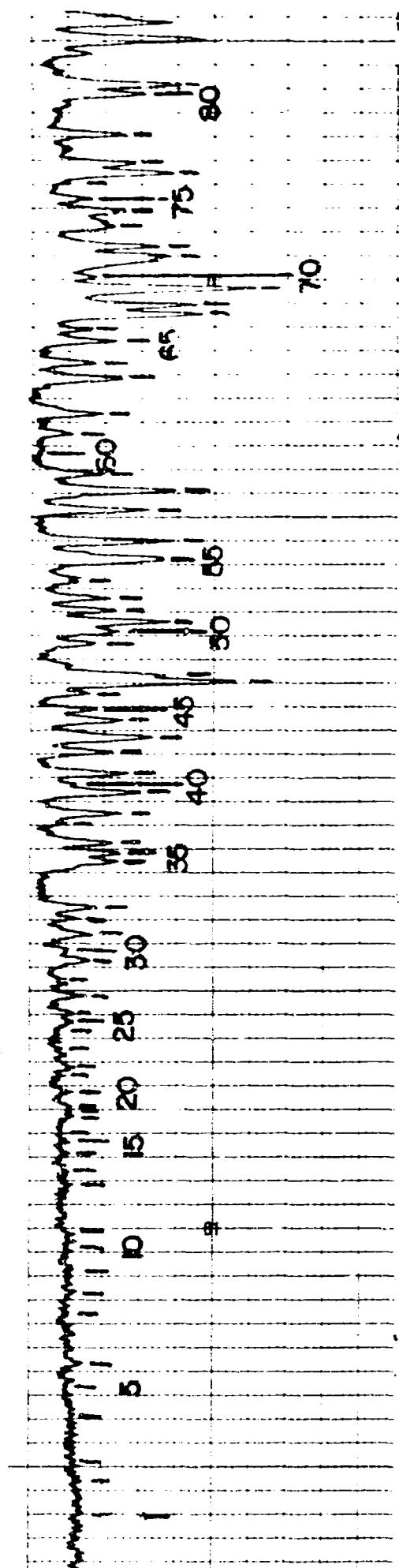
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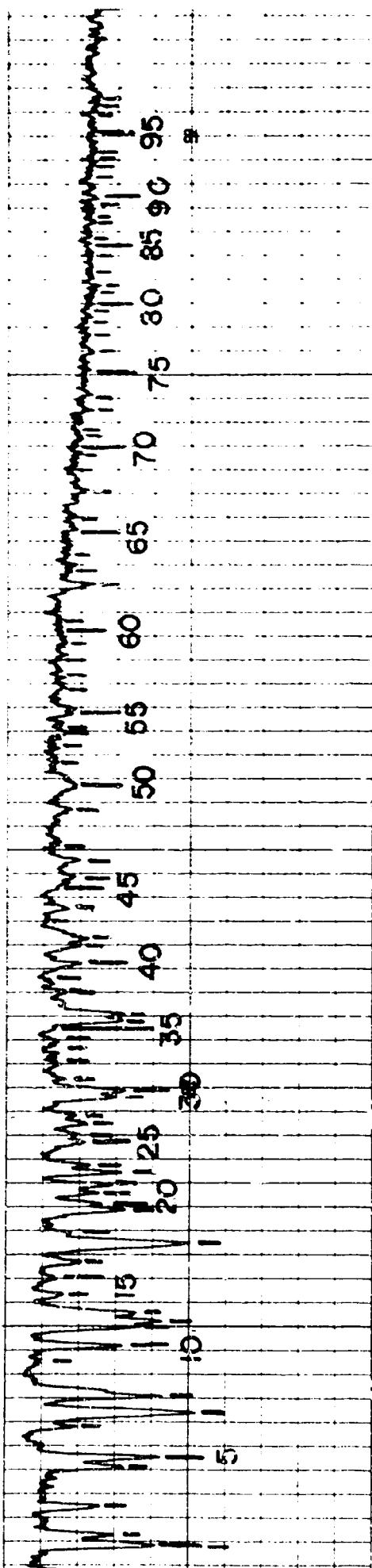
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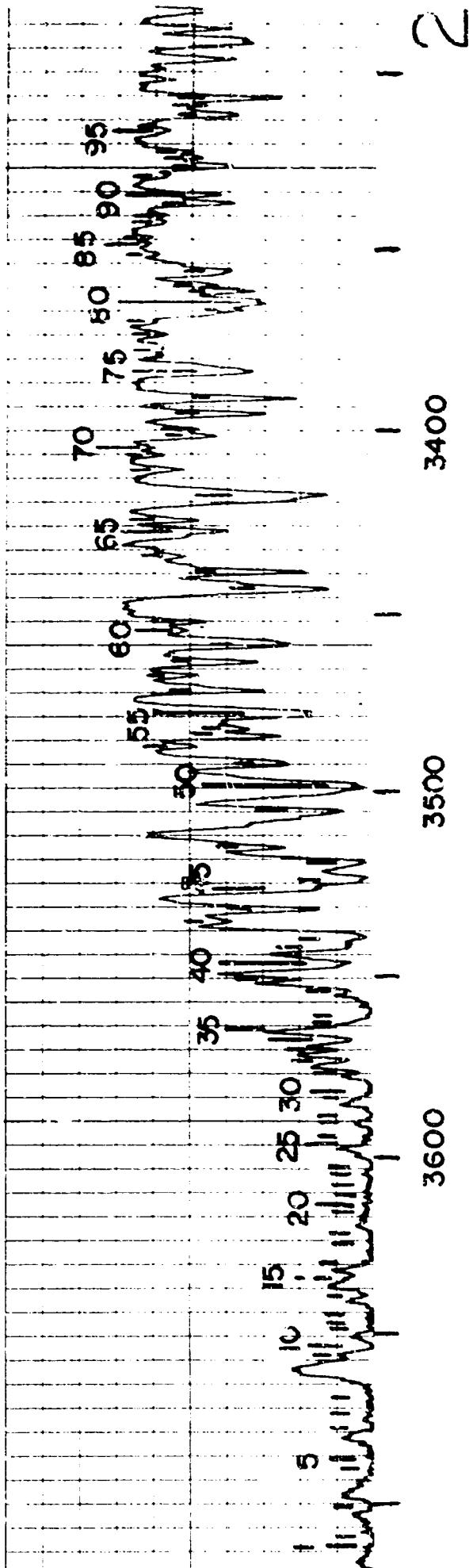
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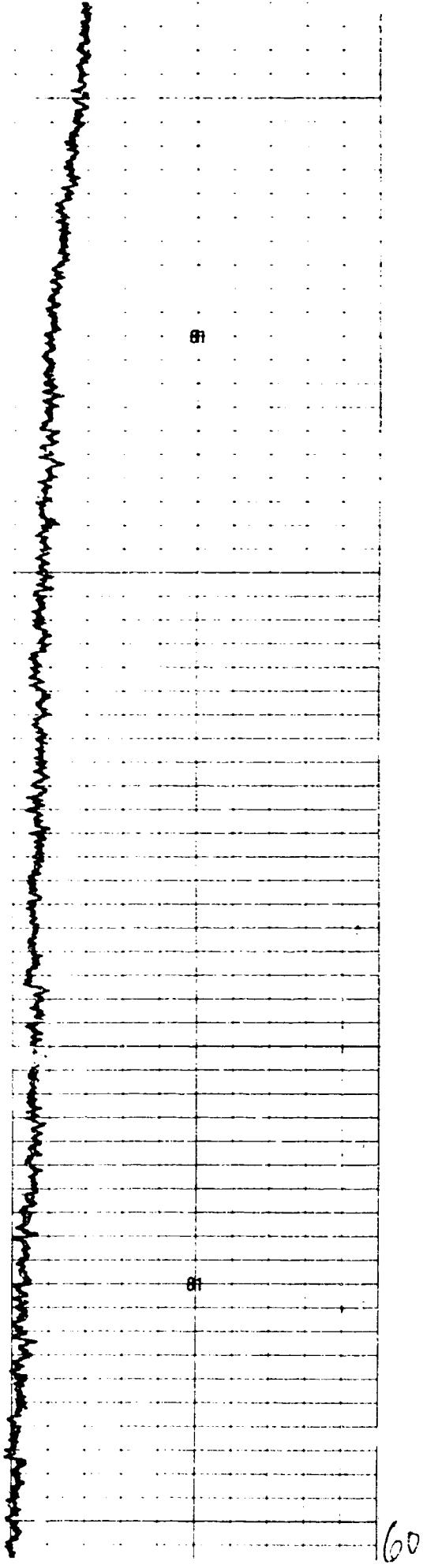
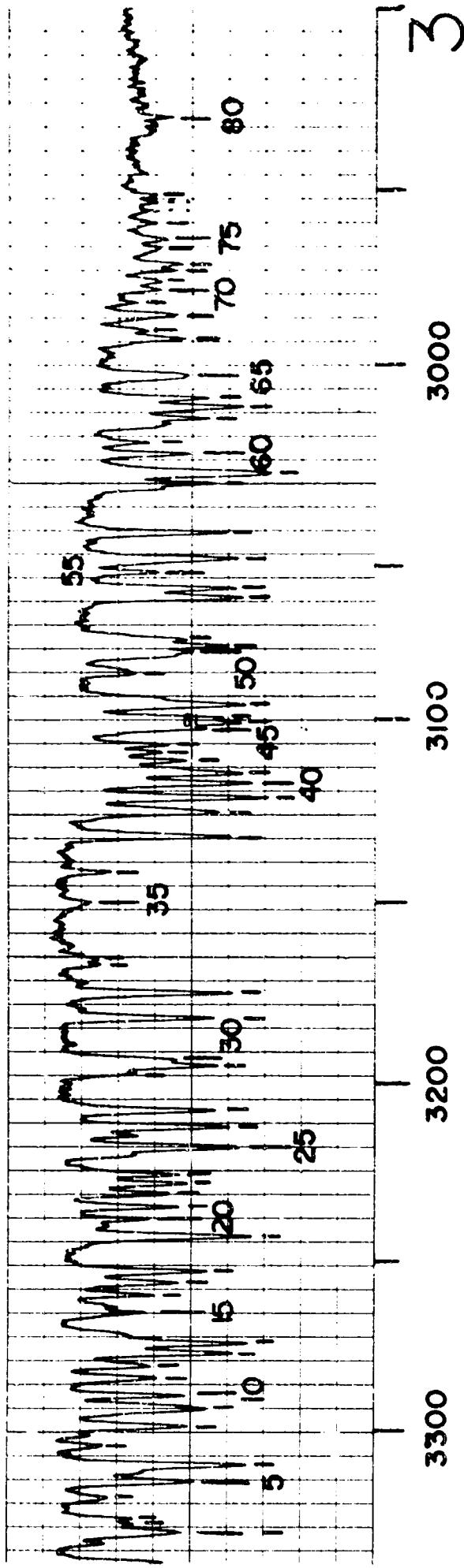


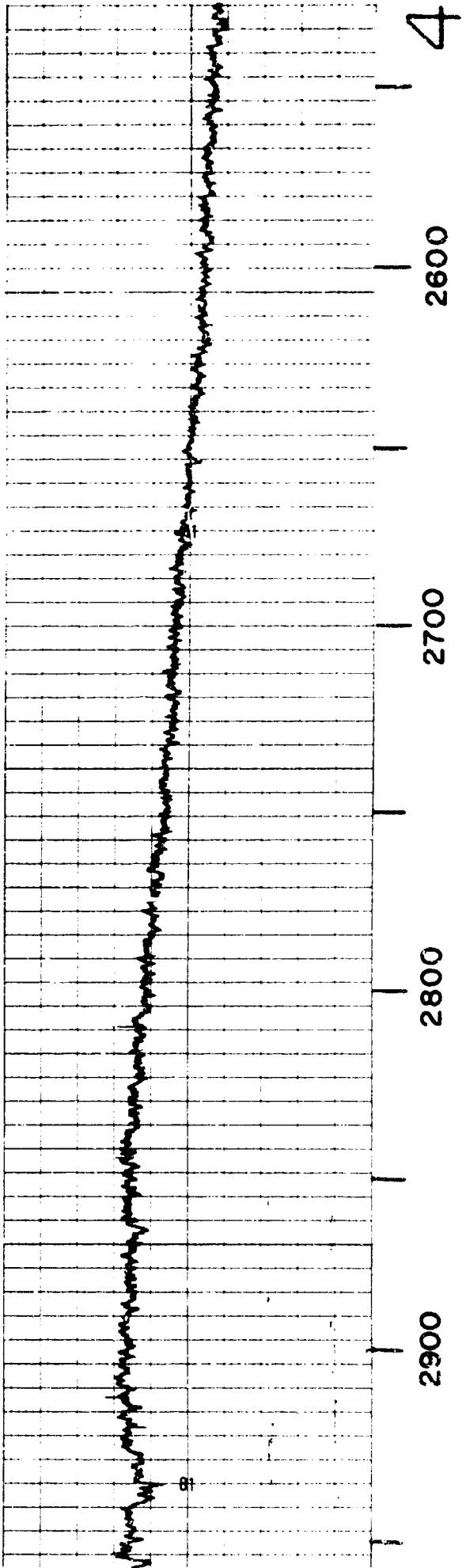
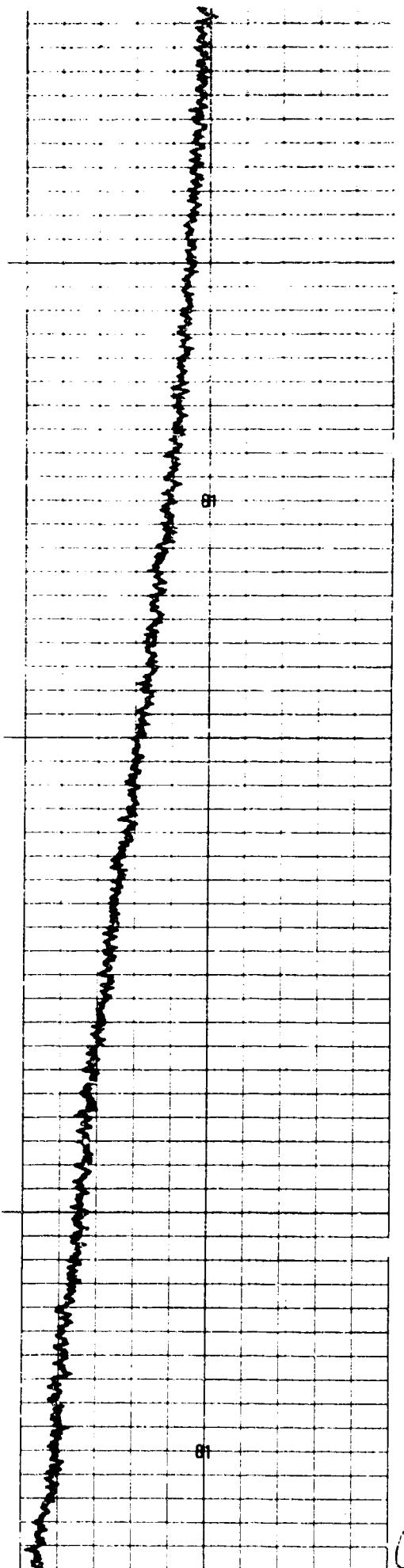
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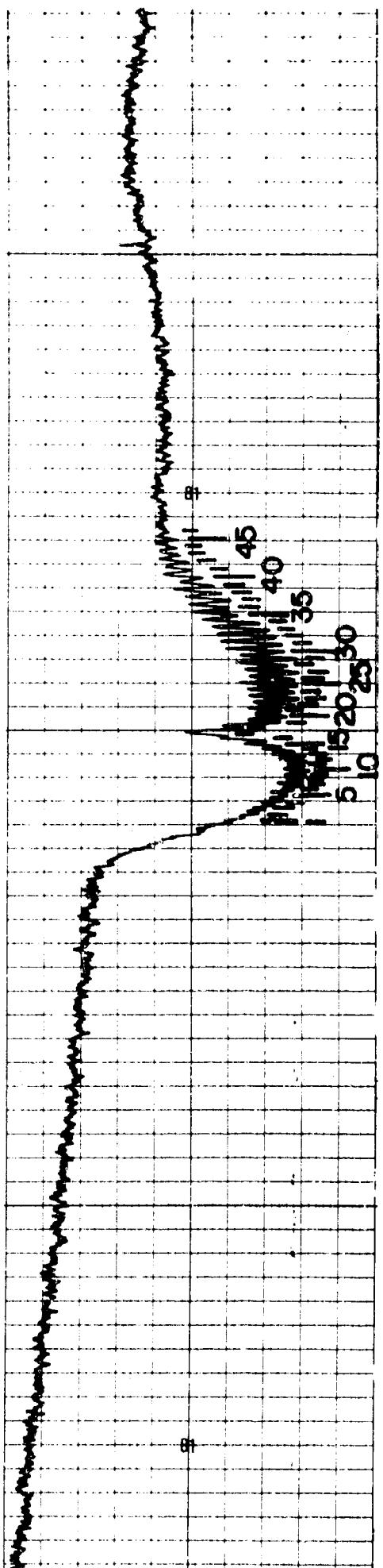


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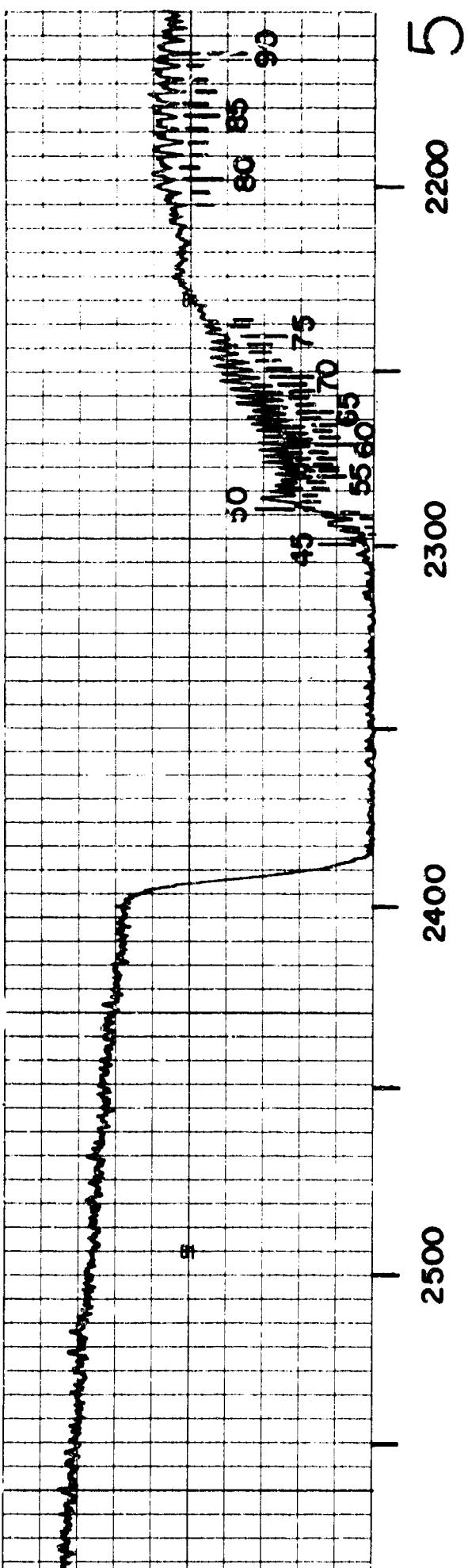




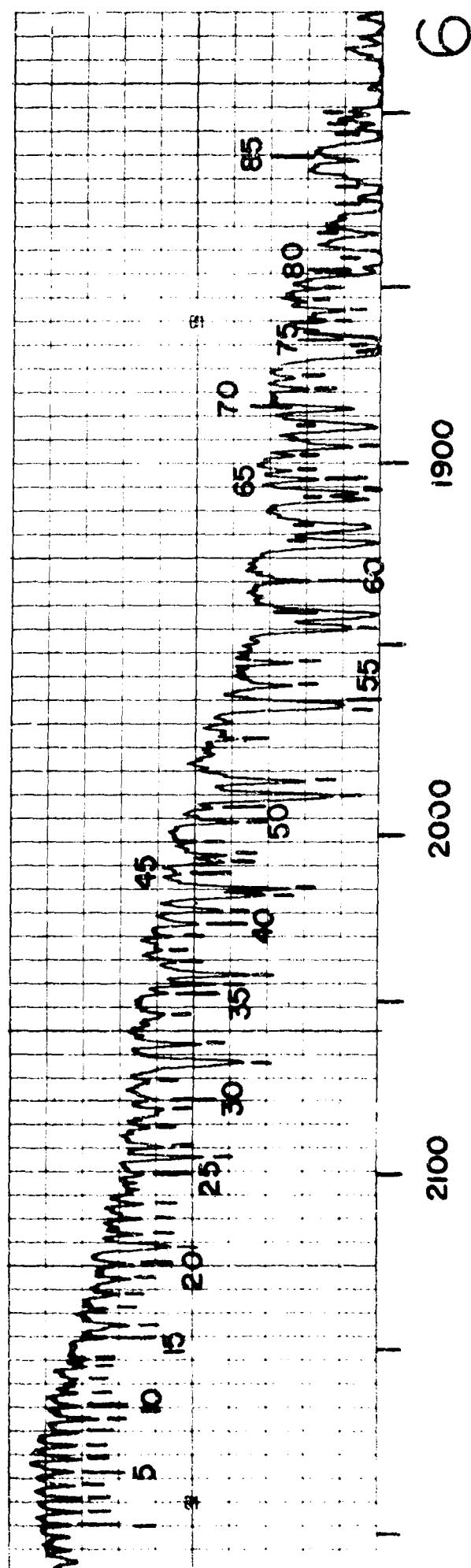
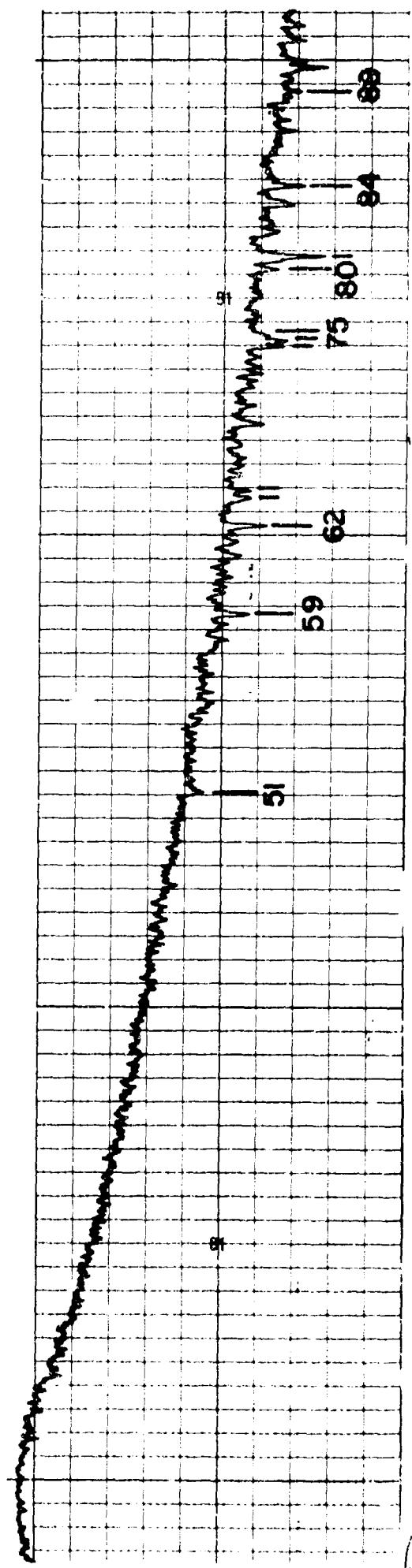


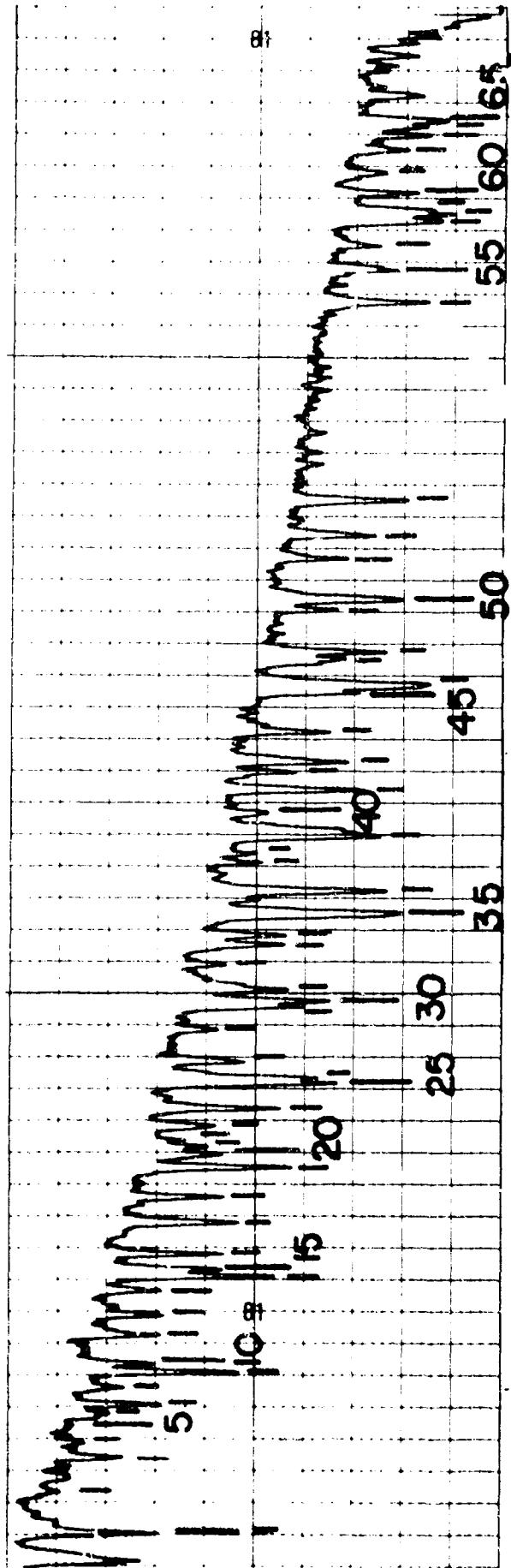


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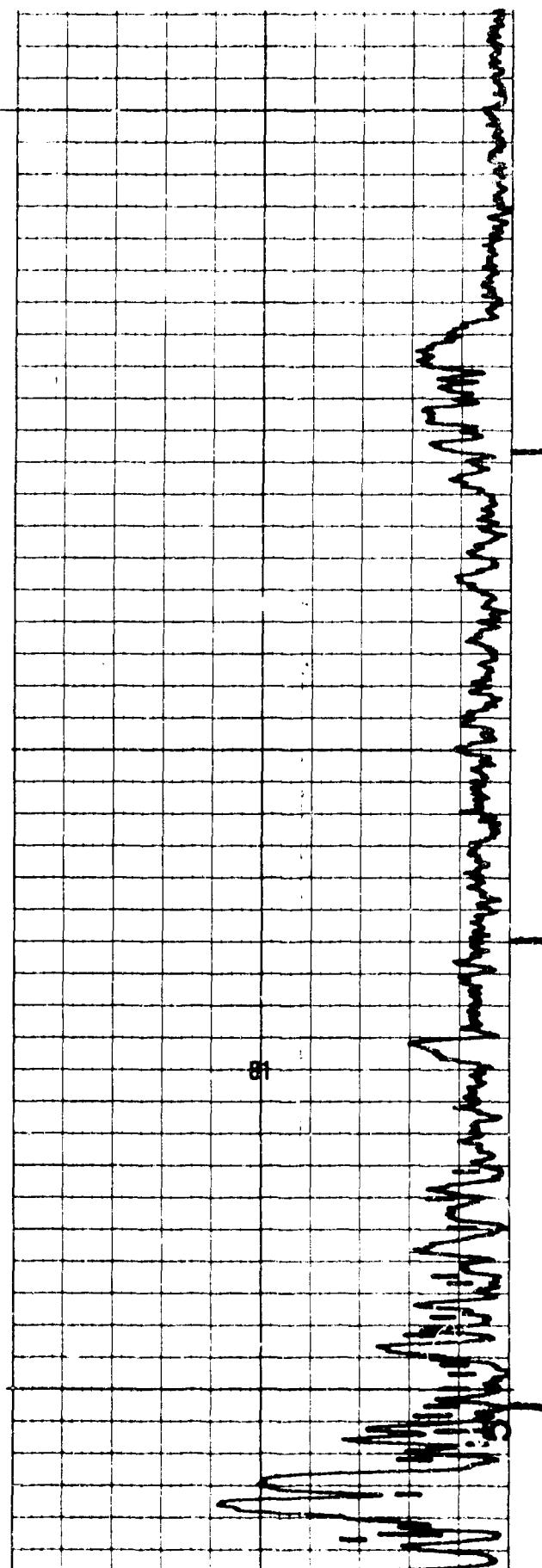


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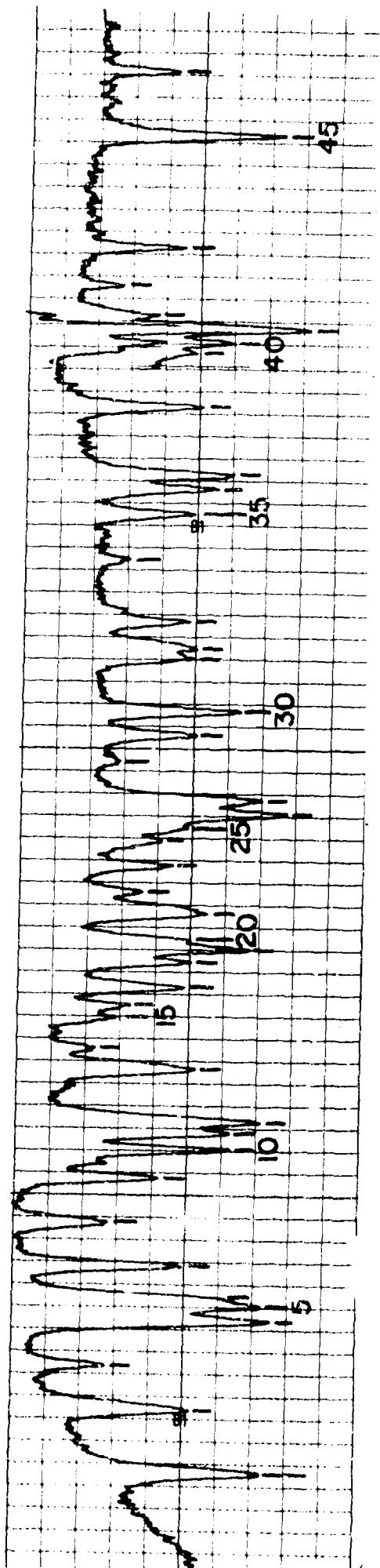


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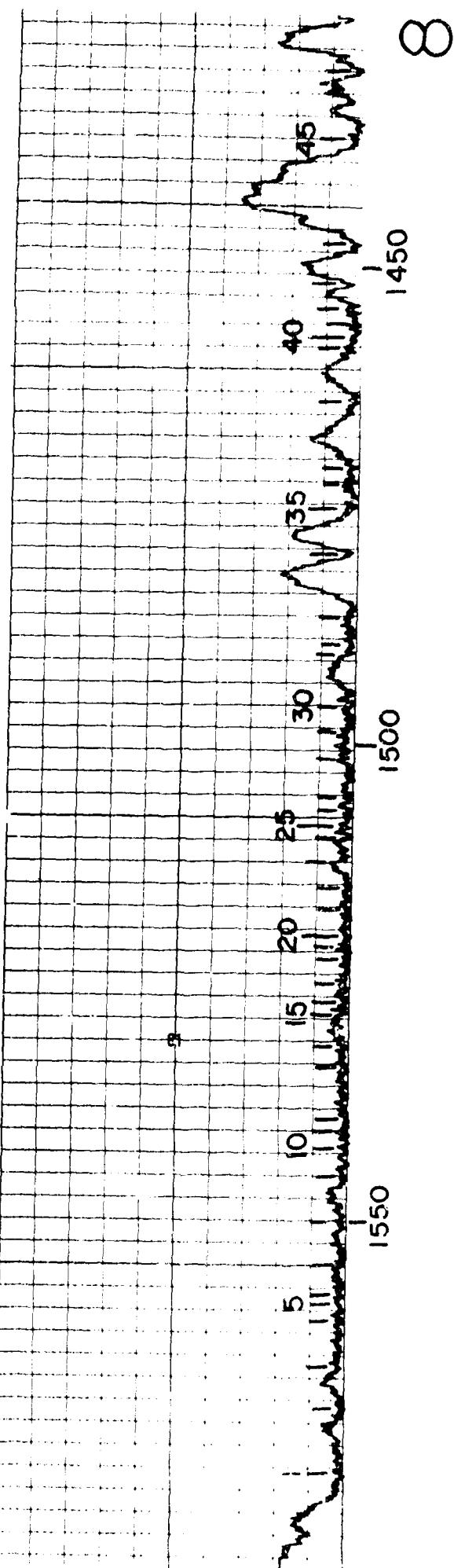
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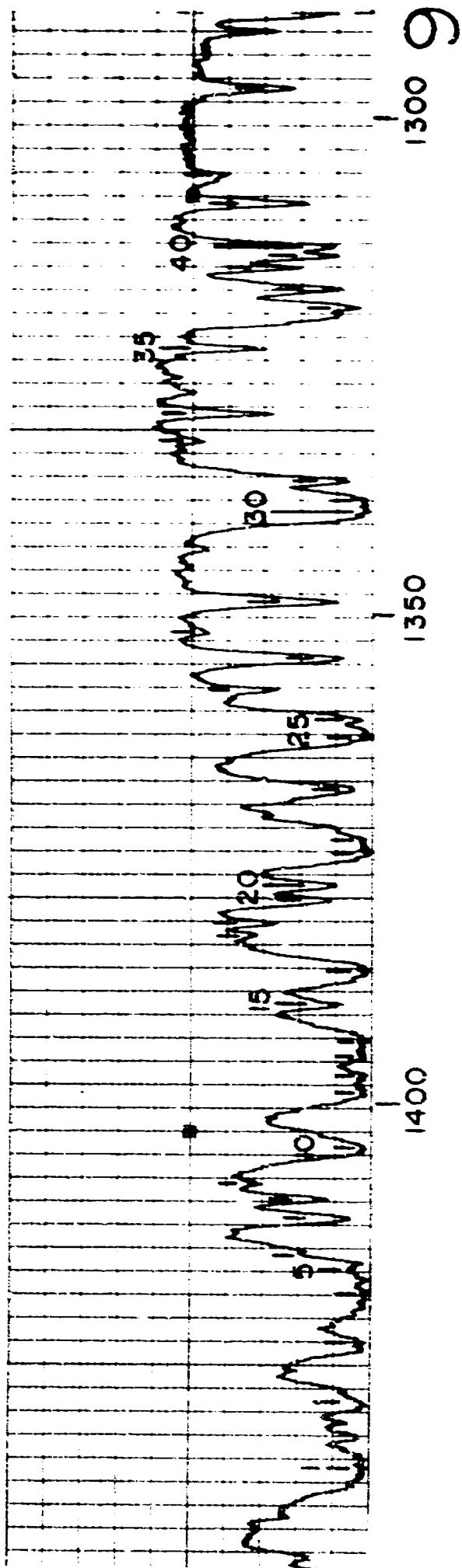
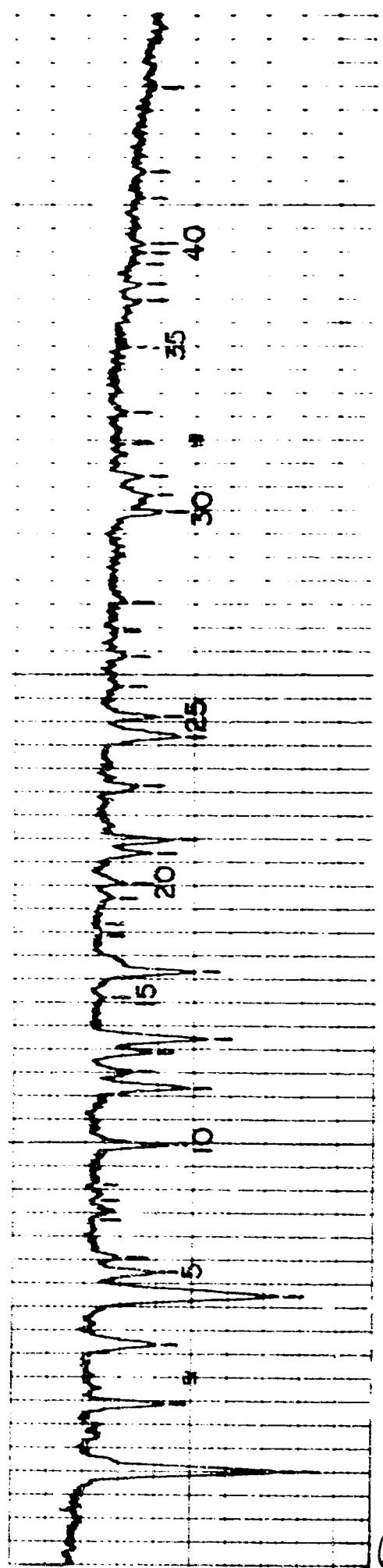


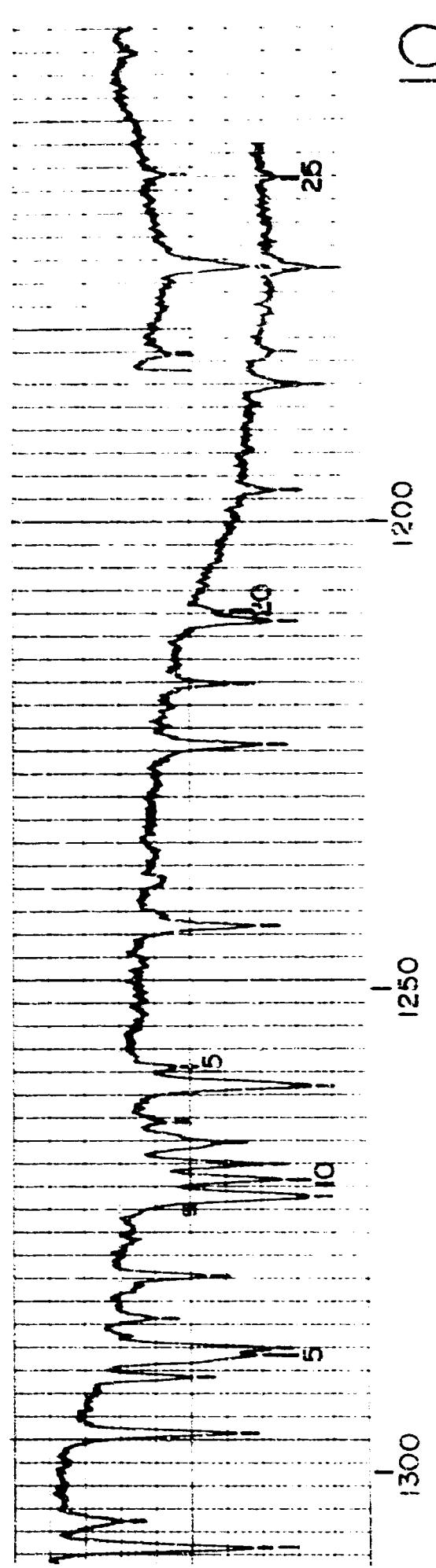
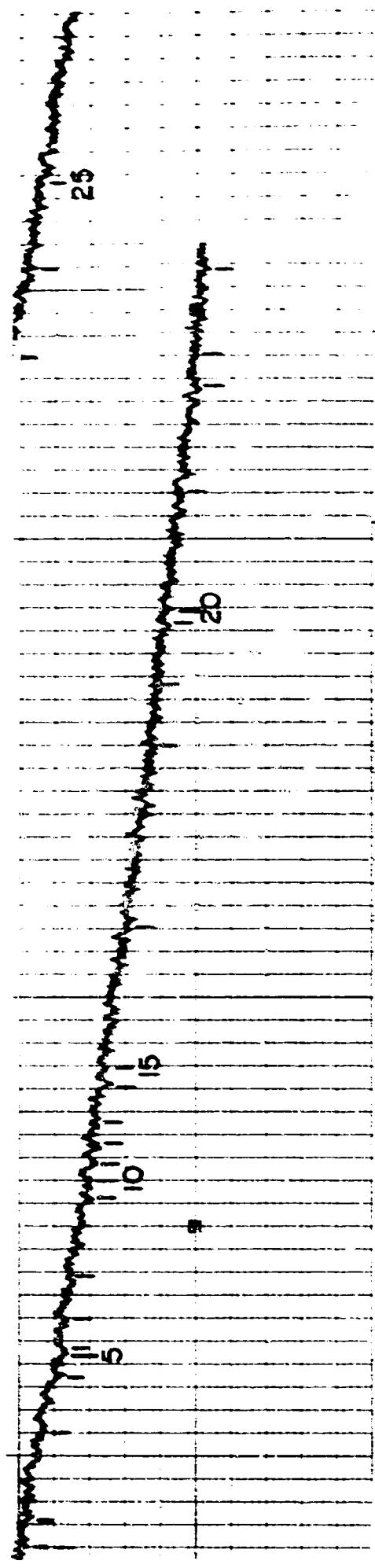
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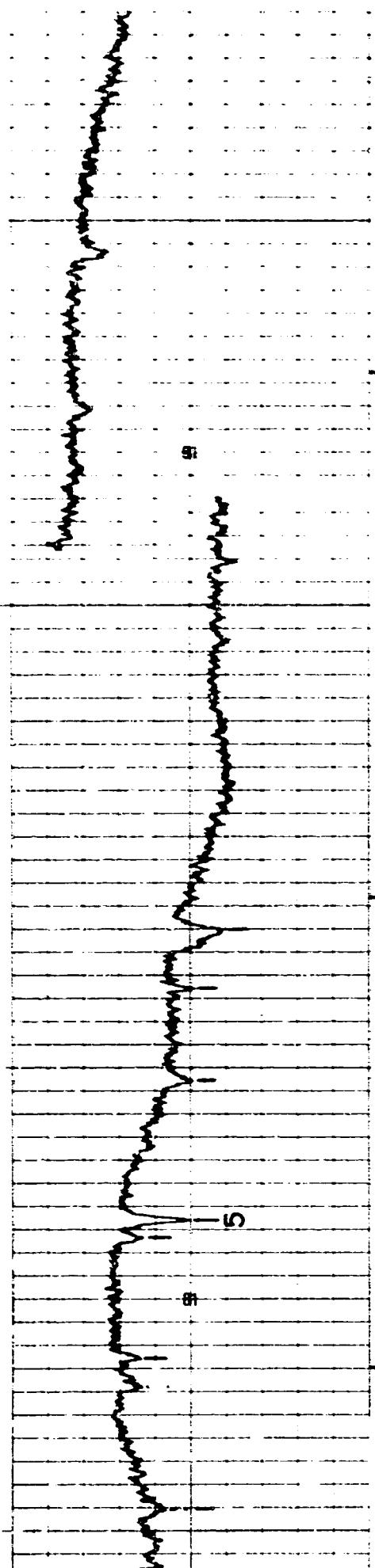
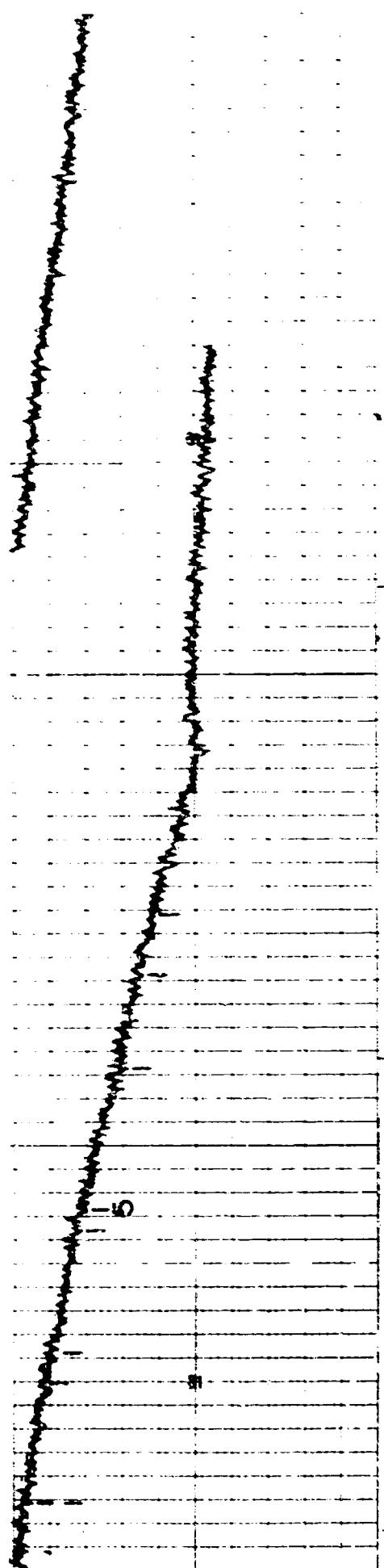


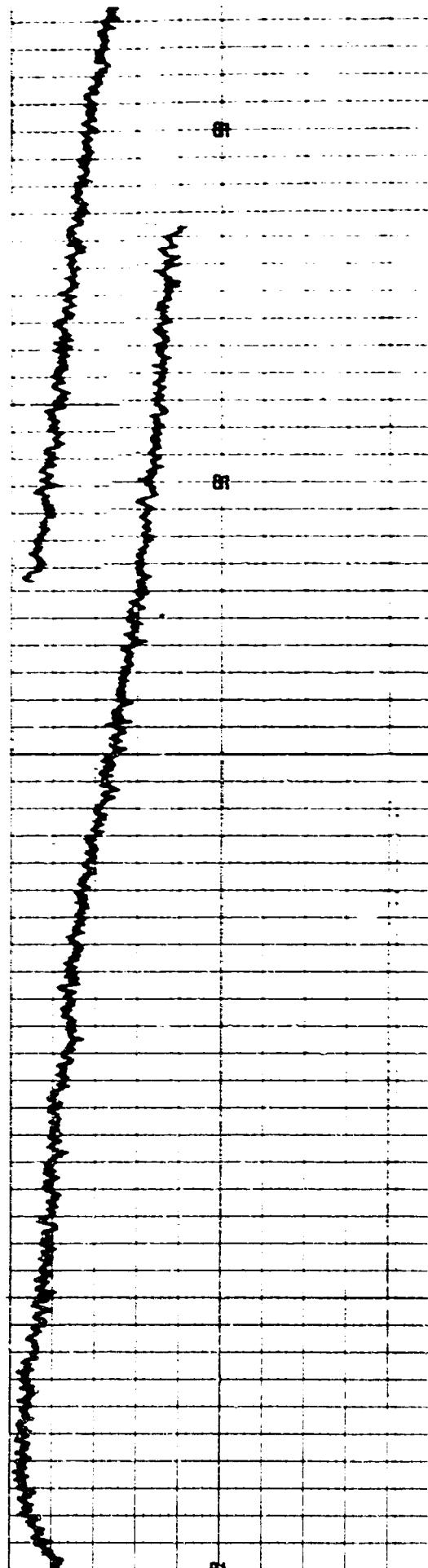
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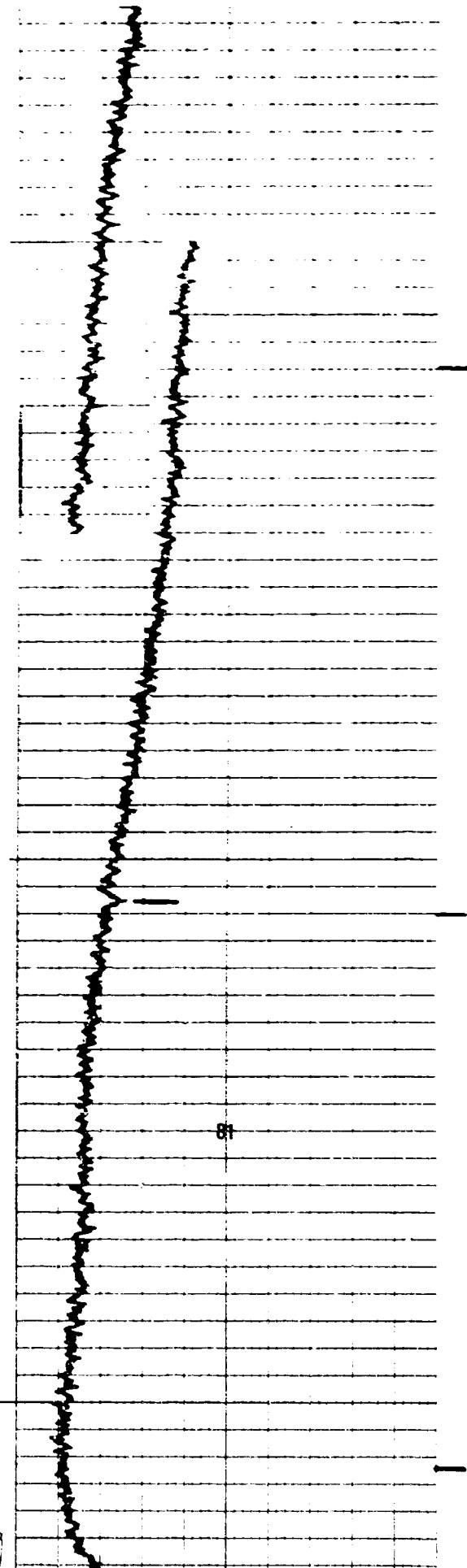
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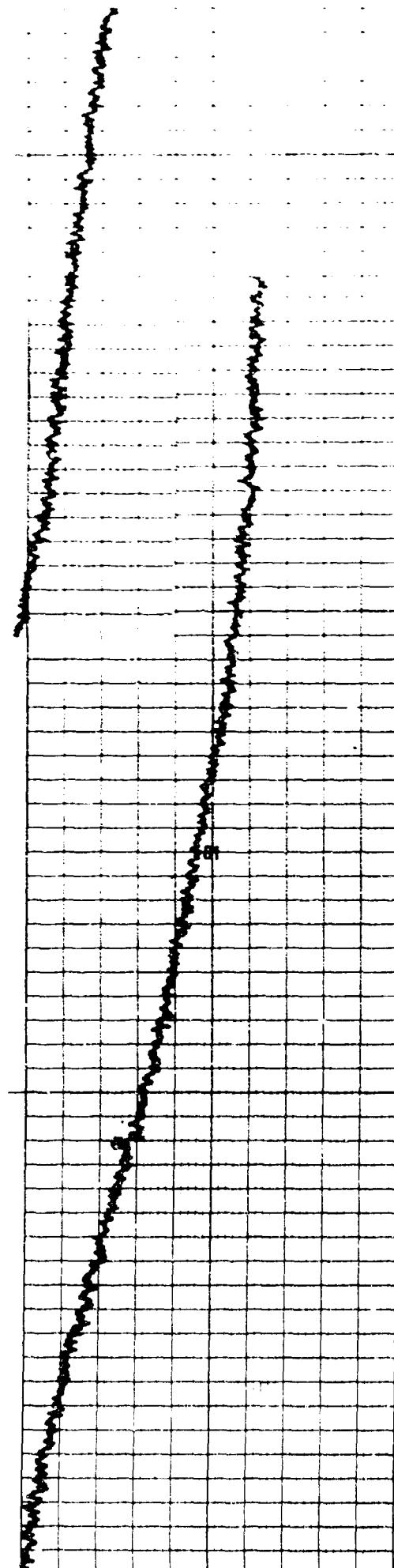


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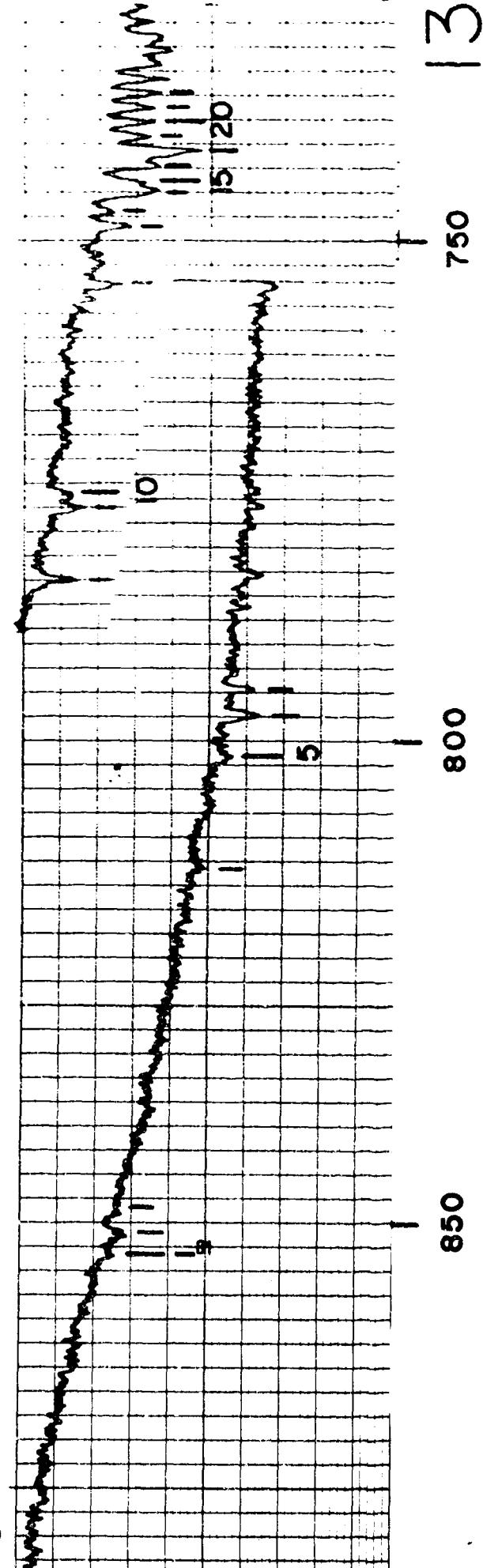
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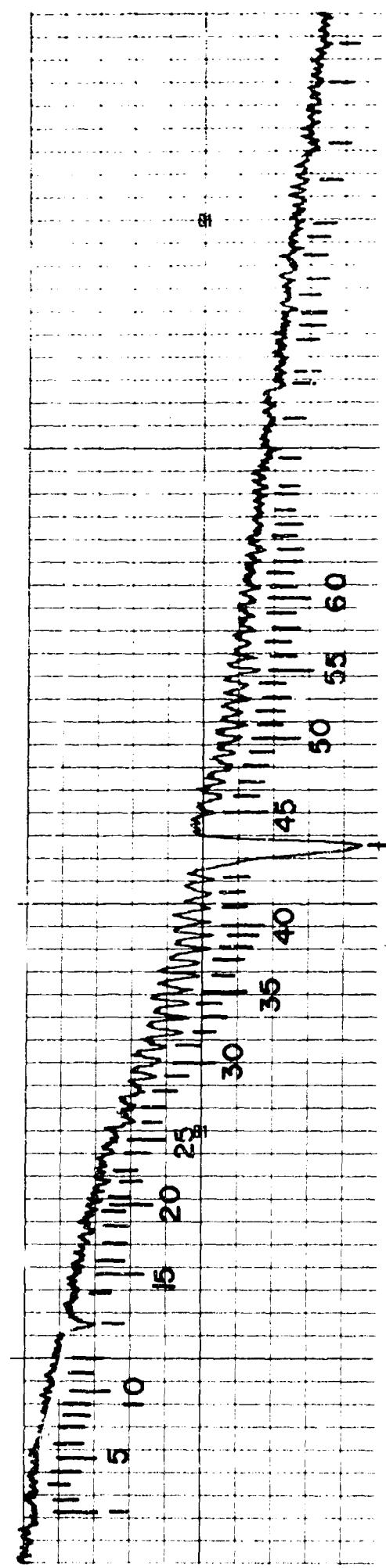
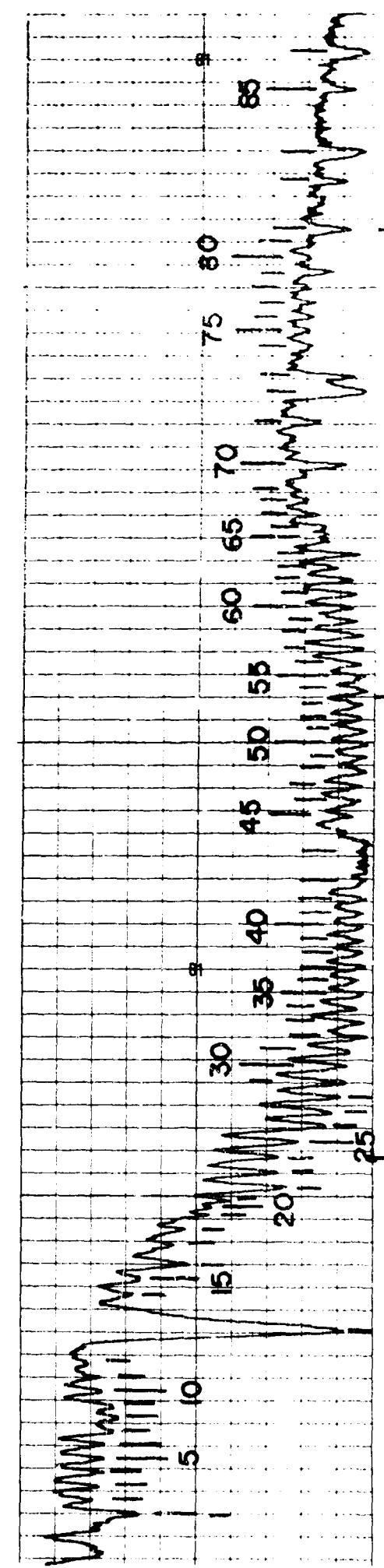
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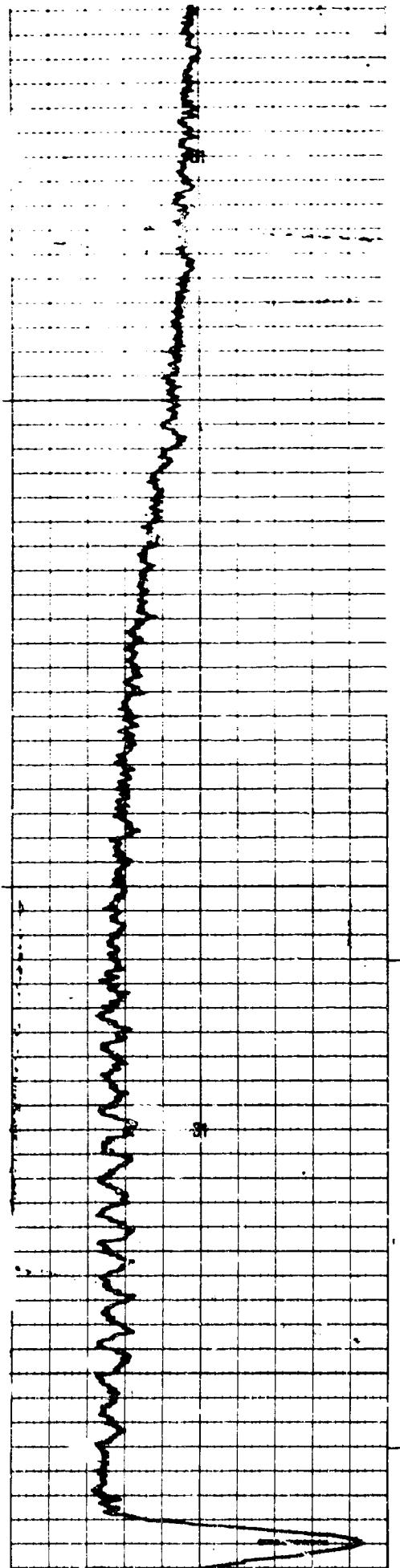
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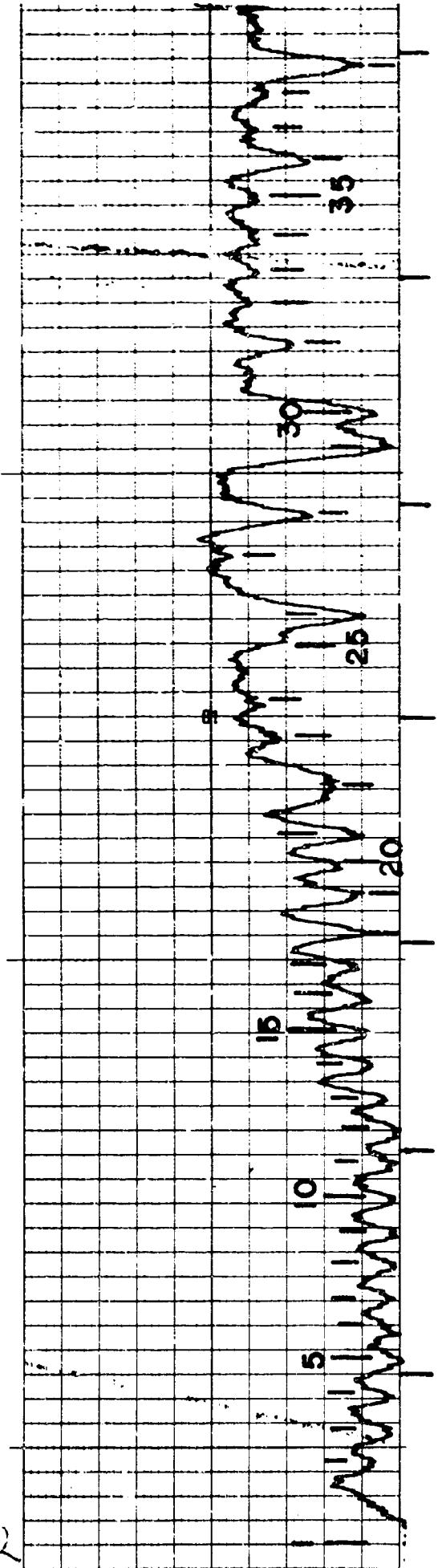
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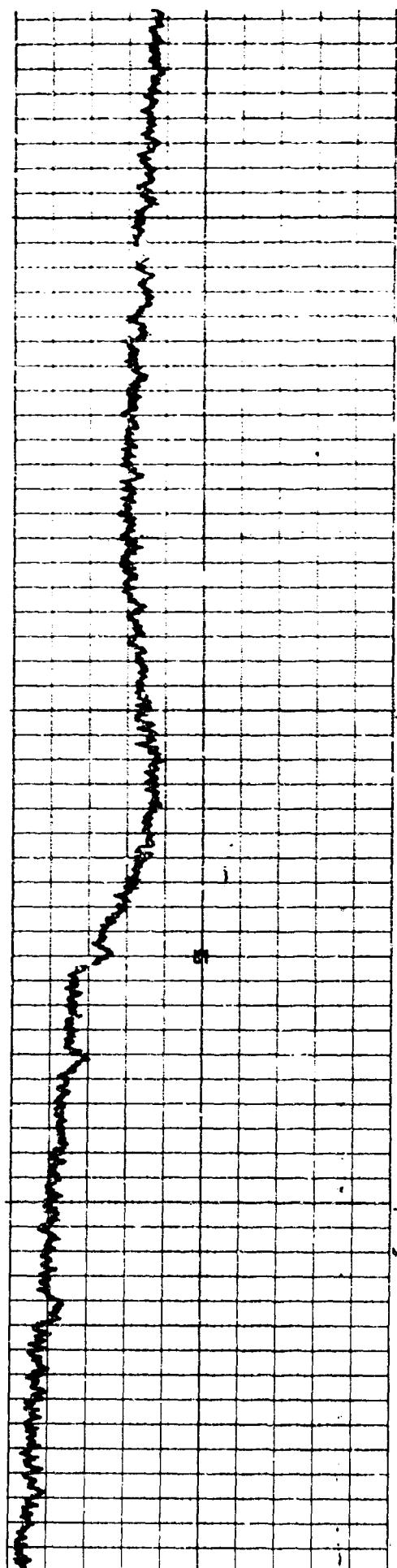




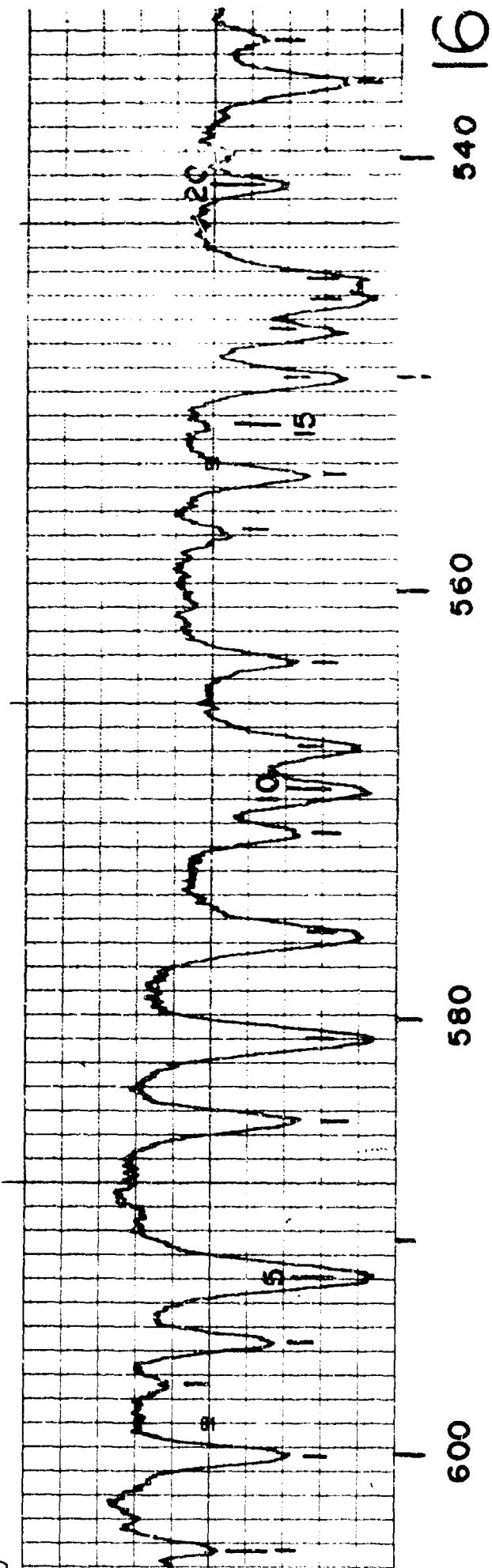
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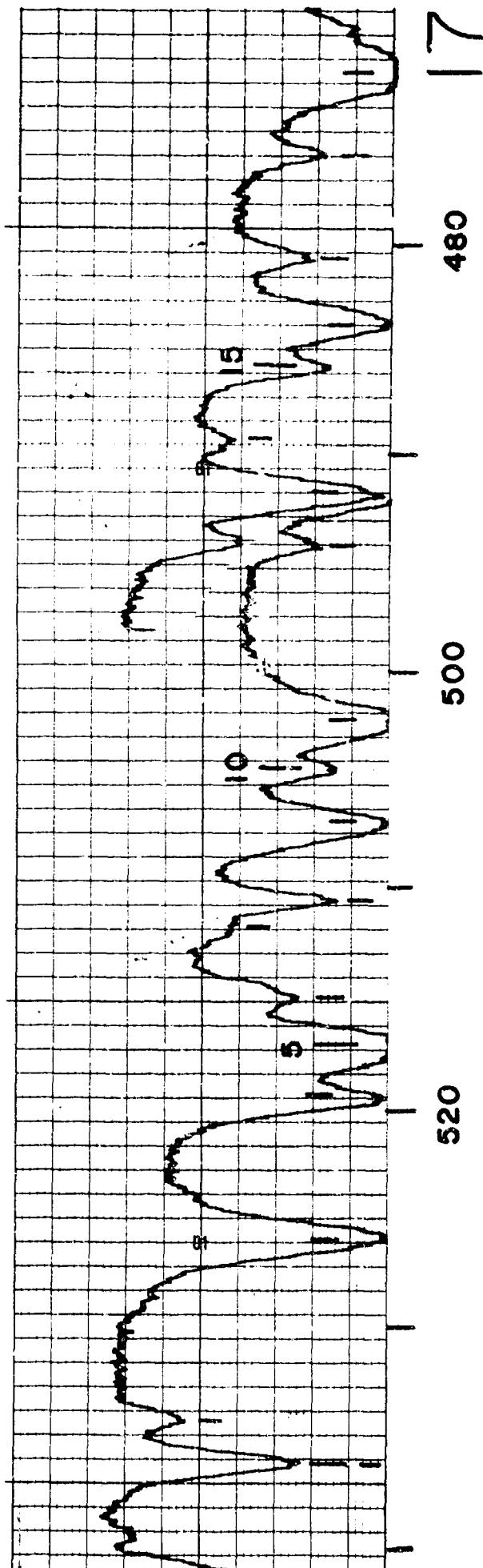
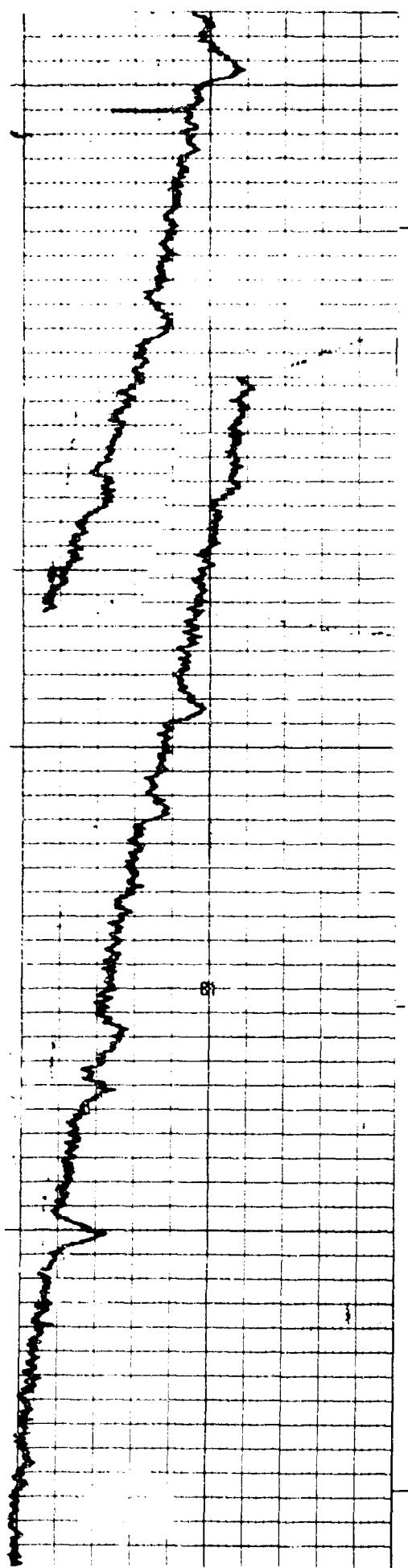


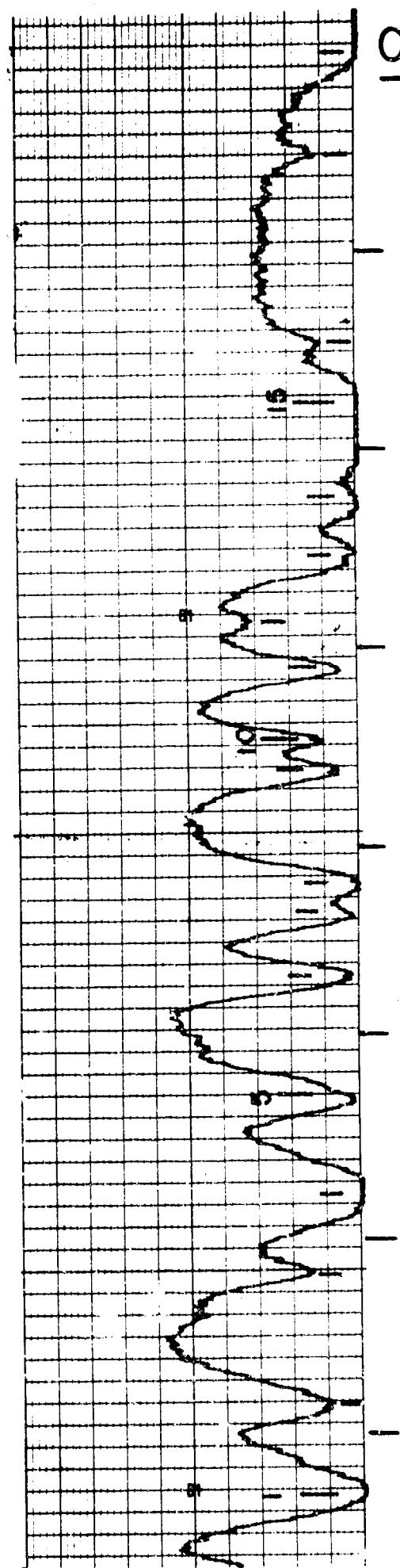
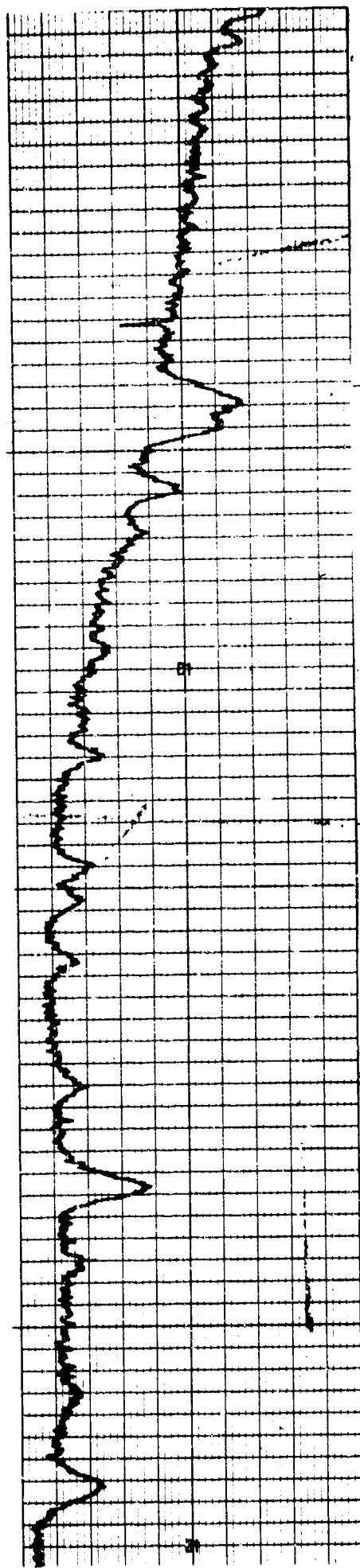
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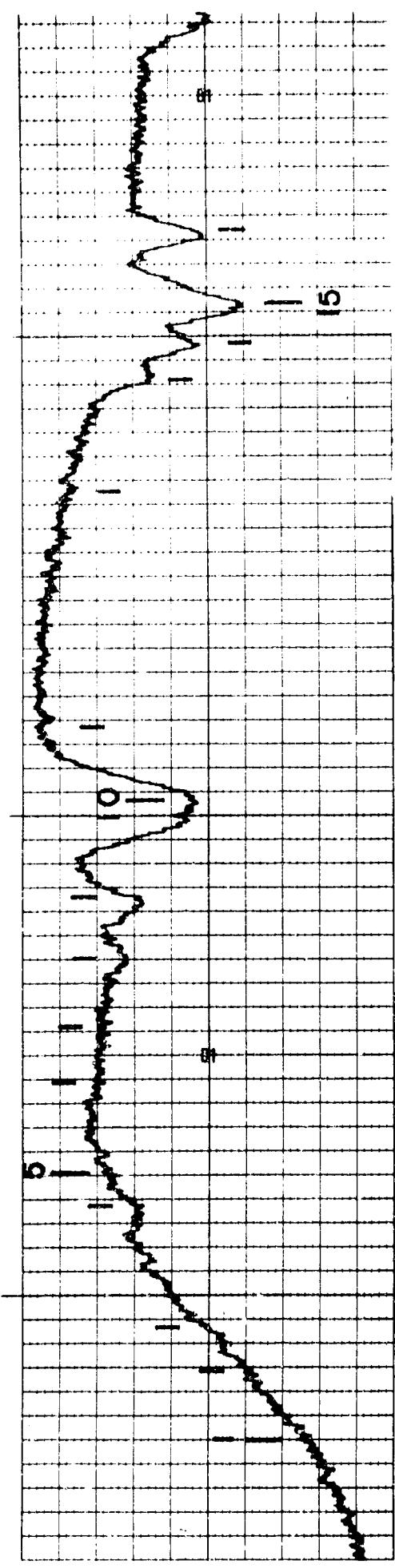


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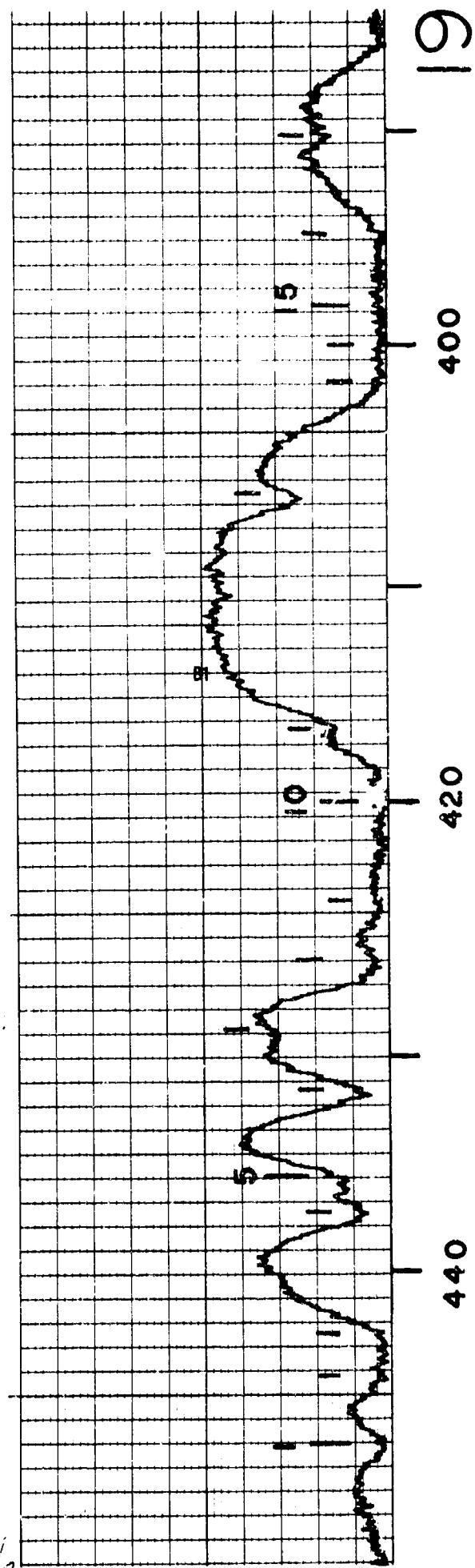
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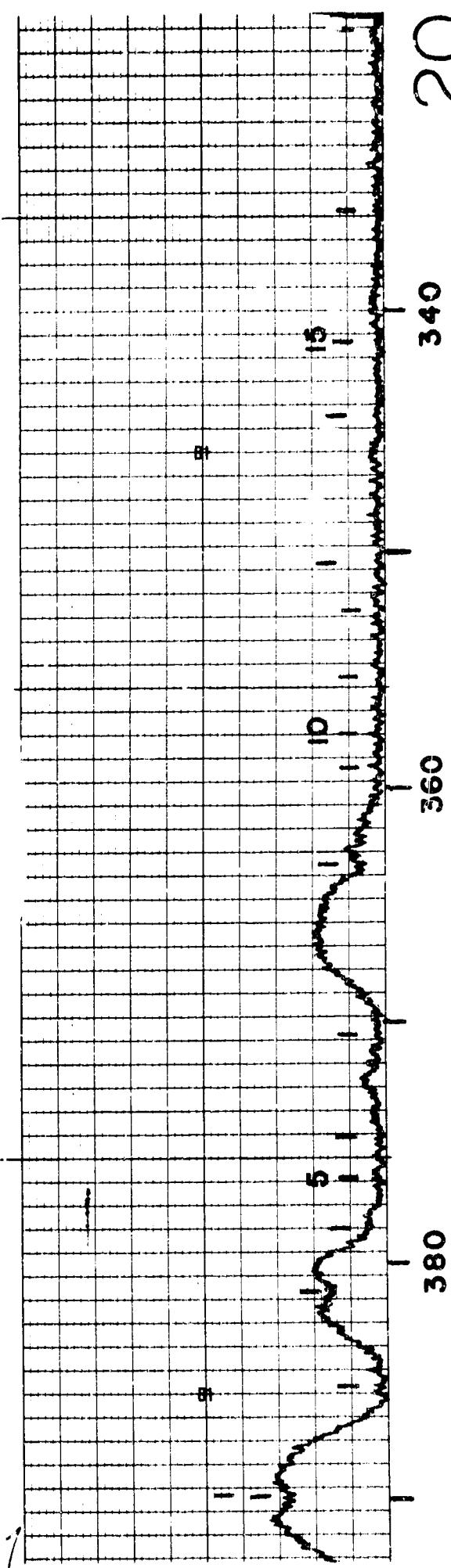
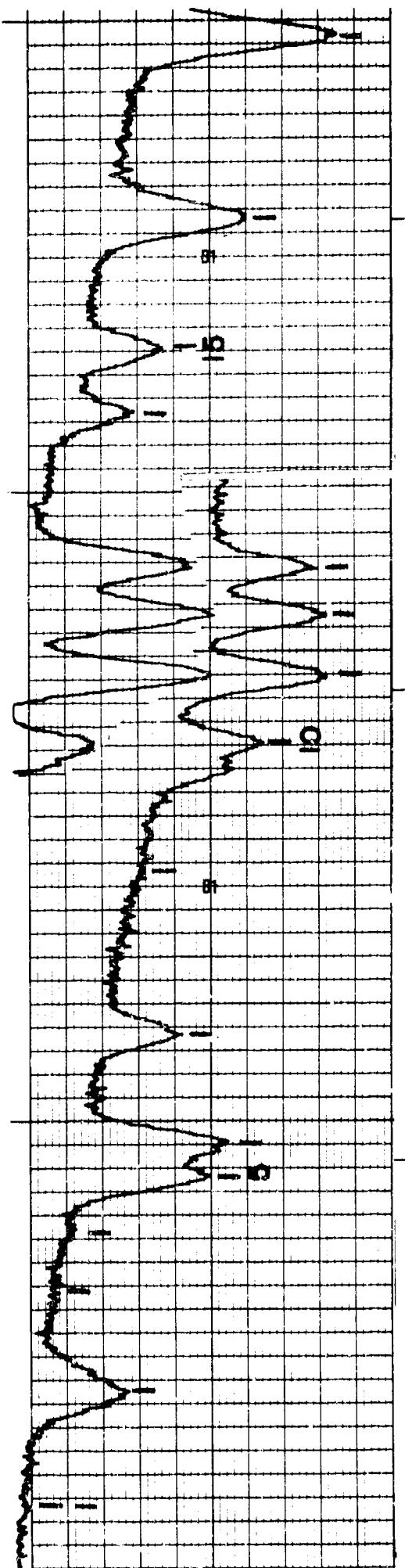
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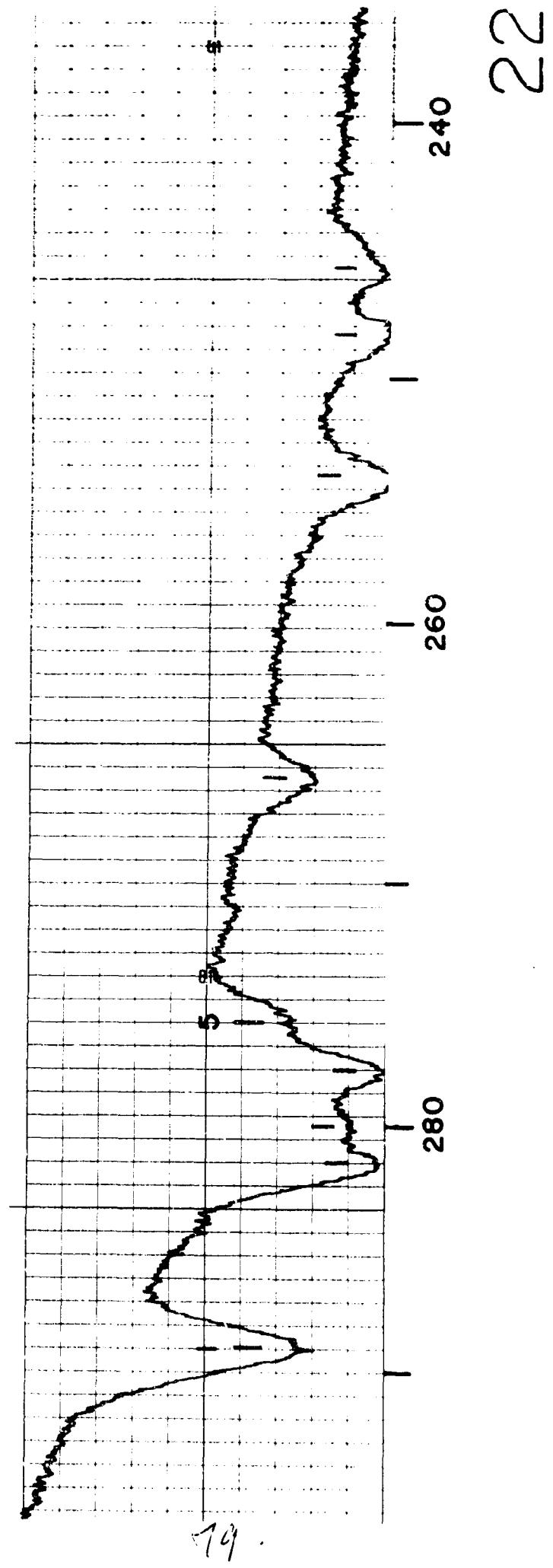
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